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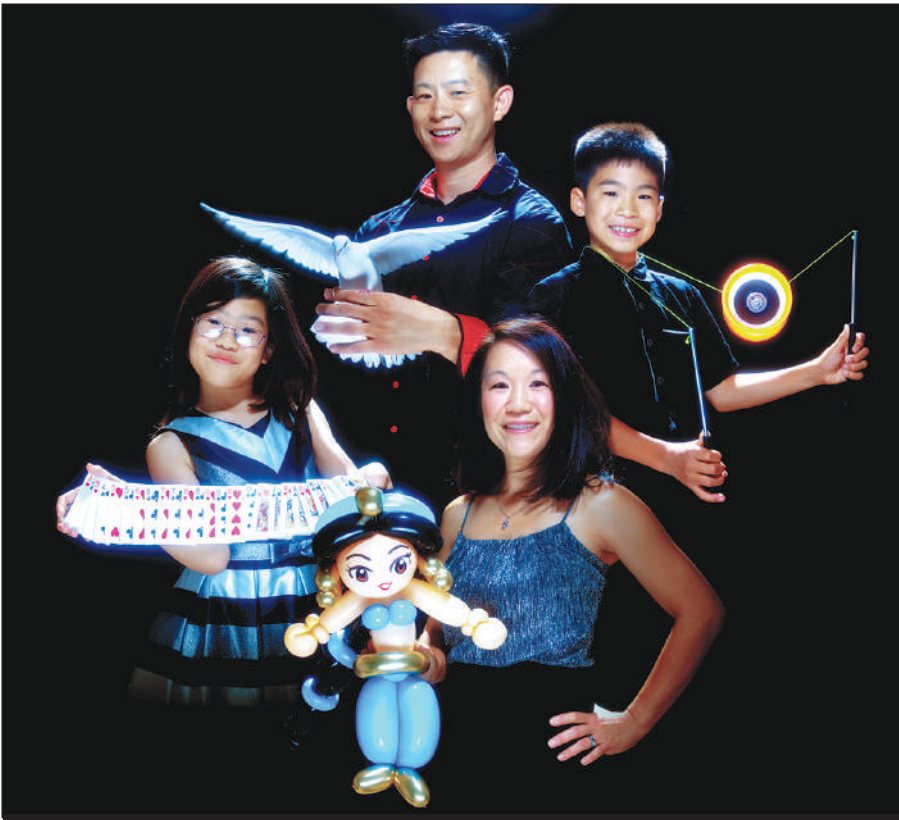
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By MADHVIKA SINGH
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"Nobody can be uncheered with a balloon." – A. A. Milne, *Winnie-the-Pooh*

With her balloon creations, Kat Chan can awe not just children, but people of all ages.

A professional balloon twister, Chan was introduced to this art in an unexpected way. "When I first met my husband Dan Chan, a professional magician, I was awestruck by his skill and craft. He tried to teach me magic too, but it turned out I wasn't very good at

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Chanticleers Theatre returns to in-person with *The Four Poster*



SUBMITTED BY STEVE WILNER
PHOTOS BY CATHY BUCHER

Chanticleers Theatre ("Chanticleers") is thrilled to present *The Four Poster*, a moving, two-person play written by Jan de Hartog and produced by special arrangement with Concord Theatricals. This production will be performed with in-theater audiences coupled with online streaming. Both options are available from July 16 - August 8, 2021. Live performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.,

and Sundays at 6 p.m. Streaming is available any time from July 16 - August 8.

The Four Poster is the moving chronicle of a husband and wife, from their wedding night until they leave the house that has been their home, thirty-five years later. They fret and quarrel, laugh, cry, and make love in the same room in which they began their married life. Standing throughout the evening is the old four poster, silent witness to all.

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Reaching new heights with California Summits



By MARC VICENTE
PHOTOS BY MATT JOHANSON

Throughout the COVID-19 quarantine, California residents have found solace through strolling their local neighborhood, potentially making new discoveries in the process. As vaccines continue to spread across the country, even more places are opening up to be explored once again. However, for those who might find it hard to readjust or even find where to go next, freelance writer Matt Johanson is releasing a new guidebook about hiking up various mountains across California for anyone hoping to begin or continue their adventures.

Matt Johanson has been a writer ever since he was a teenager, and has passed on his knowledge

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City of Fremont Summer Concert Series Begins This Week

Thanks to the support of sponsors, including Washington Hospital Healthcare System, the City of Fremont Summer Concert Series returns this week. Beginning July 15, from 6 to 8 p.m., Fremont community members are welcomed to the Central Park Performance Pavilion to enjoy music and food in a scenic location. Concerts will be each Thursday for six consecutive weeks.

Last summer, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the City of Fremont made the difficult decision to cancel the concert series. But now that the vaccination rollout has been ongoing for more than six months and the numbers of hospitalizations have decreased significantly, the Parks and Recreation Department is happy to welcome the return of community members.

Safety precautions are recommended. This includes: sitting 6 feet from other groups, wearing masks if not vaccinated, and using hand sanitizer before and after using restrooms.

Washington Hospital Community Outreach Manager, Lucy Hernandez, notes that the concert series will be a welcomed event. “After several months of feeling isolated, we believe community members will enjoy being together in a safe environment.”

Though the event will look a little different this year without the bounce house or free popcorn, there will be food trucks and a lineup of fun music. The four weeks will feature bands paying tribute to the Beatles (July 15), Linda Ronstadt (July 22), Santana (July 29), and Journey (Aug. 5). The following two weeks will be a mixture of house party music. David Martin’s House Party will perform on Aug. 12 and the series will conclude on Aug. 19 with local favorite, East Bay Mudd.

Park officials suggest arriving early, as parking can be a challenge. For more details, see the City of Fremont website at www.fremont.gov/290/Summer-Concert-Series.

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	7/13/21	7/14/21	7/15/21	7/16/21	7/17/21	7/18/21	7/19/21																		
12:00 PM 12:00 AM	Fun Fresh Summer Cooking Demonstration	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021	Aortic Valve Disease: Treatment Options Including TAVR	Diabetes Matters: Asian Fusion	Mental Health Education Series: Crisis Intervention	The Signs and Symptoms of Sepsis	Ortho Overuse Injuries: Prevention and Treatment																		
12:30 PM 12:30 AM	Fremont Bank Staying Healthy in 2021		Gastrointestinal Disorders	Active Living: Yoga Exercises																					
1:00 PM 1:00 AM	Early Detection and Prevention of Female Cancers			Mental Health Education Series: Anxiety Disorders	Mental Health Education Series: Mental Wellness	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021	Mental Health Education Series: Understanding Mood Disorders	Mental Health Education Series: Understanding Psychotic Disorders																	
1:30 PM 1:30 AM			Intro to Radiation Oncology Therapy		Fun Fresh Summer Cooking Demonstration																				
2:00 PM 2:00 AM	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Complications and Amputation		Stress Management	Advanced Treaments for Knee Pain			Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021	How to Prevent Financial Elder Abuse/Fraud																	
2:30 PM 2:30 AM	Obesity: Understand the Causes, Consequences & Prevention			Colon Cancer	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021																				
3:00 PM 3:00 AM	Managing Diabetes During Challenging Times	Peripheral Vascular Disease: What You Need to Know	Mental Health Education Series: Family Support			Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021			Endometriosis: Causes, Symptoms, Diagnosis and Treatment																
3:30 PM 3:30 AM	How To Stop Disease Before It Starts			Diabetes Matters: Glucose Monitoring						Mental Health Education Series: Family Support															
4:00 PM 4:00 AM	Women's Health Conference: Reclaiming Your Confidence	Preventive Screenings: When and Why are They Important?					Medicare: What You Need to Know	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021			Keeping Your Brain Healthy														
4:30 PM 4:30 AM				How to Sleep Your Way to Better Health	Diabetes Matters: Latin Foods							Diabetes Matters: Dining Out Around The World	Women's Health Conference: Women & Stroke: Are You at Risk?	Chronic Kidney Disease: FAQ											
5:00 PM 5:00 AM	Diabetes Matters: Latin Foods		Medicare: What You Need to Know																						
5:30 PM 5:30 AM	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021			Breathe Easier with Pulmonary Rehab	Enlarged Prostate: Causes, Symptoms and Treatment	COVID-19: The Road Ahead			FB Live: Maintaining Your Mental Wellness During the COVID-19 Pandemic	Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021															
6:00 PM 6:00 AM		Interventional Radiology (IR) for Vascular Disease																							
6:30 PM 6:30 AM			Washington Township Health Care District Board Meeting June 9, 2021				Shoulder Pain: Causes and Treatment Options	Don't Let Hip Pain Win			Wound Care: The Latest Treatment Options														
7:00 PM 7:00 AM												Oh My Aching Feet! Recognizing Common Foot and Ankle Problems	Advancements in Lung Cancer Detection and Treatment	Breathe Easier with Pulmonary Rehab	Diabetes Matters: Heart Healthy Eating										
7:30 PM 7:30 AM																Women's Health through the Years: Screening is Key to Aging Well	Treating Neck and Back Pain from Home	Women's Health: Planning for Pregnancy							
8:00 PM 8:00 AM	Anxiety: Stop Negative Thoughts			FB Live: Staying Fit While Working From Home	When Your Heart Needs A Little Help	Sick Feet?			Hernias: Causes Symptoms and the Latest Treatment Options																
8:30 PM 8:30 AM		Strategies to Help Lower Your Cholesterol and Blood Pressure								Sidelined by Back Pain? Get Back in the Game									FB Live: Noontime in the COVID-19 Kitchen	Fall Prevention	Diabetes Matters: Diabetes Conversations	Diabetes Matters: Heart Healthy Foods & Diabetes			
9:00 PM 9:00 AM			Palliative Care, an Extra Layer of Support				Laugh without Leaking: Understanding Female Urinary Incontinence	Metabolic Disorders			Healthy Eating: Prescription for Health												Healthy Gut, Healthy You	Family Caregiver Series: Loss, Grief & Recovery	
9:30 PM 9:30 AM												Suffer From Sinus Problems?	Women's Health Conference: Quality of Life Before and After Cosmetic Surgery	Hepatitis B and Liver Cancer: Prevention and Treatment	Understanding HPV: What You Need to Know										Palliative Care, an Extra Layer of Support
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Losing Weight and Keeping It Off Has Numerous Health Benefits

**Online Seminar Explains the
Impact of Obesity and
What You Can Do About It**

Aug. 26 seminar explains the many health issues impacted by obesity.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) report that in the U.S., obesity is common, serious, and costly. Over 42 percent of us are obese, and over 9 percent are severely obese. That puts a high percentage of us at risk for type 2 diabetes, coronary heart disease, hypertension, stroke, sleep apnea, and even certain forms of cancer.

Washington Township Medical Foundation physician, Thomas Collins-Pallett, MD, knows how difficult it is to shed pounds and maintain a healthy weight. Board-certified in family medicine and obesity medicine, Dr. Collins is an expert in helping patients adopt healthy eating habits and daily exercise routines. On August 26, at 3:30 p.m., Dr. Collins will be featured in an online Health & Wellness seminar hosted by Washington Hospital Healthcare System titled, “Impact of Obesity—Why You Need to Get and Keep a Healthy Weight.”

This seminar can be viewed on Facebook or YouTube. When watching on Facebook, participants can submit questions which will be read to Dr. Collins. Community members can

also submit questions in advance by emailing communityoutreach@whhs.com.

During the seminar, Dr. Collins will share some of the scientific explanations for why extra weight poses risks to health and longevity. From the physical toll of carrying extra pounds to changes in hormones and metabolism, the more you are overweight the more likely it is that you will develop health complications. “In my practice, I meet a lot of patients who know that if they were to lose weight, they would feel better,” says Dr. Collins.

And it is not just about feeling better. Many of the long-term health problems associated with obesity will lessen or even disappear with sustained weight loss. The CDC says that even modest weight loss of 5 to 10 percent of your total body weight is likely to improve blood pressure, blood cholesterol and blood sugar. Some studies have shown that losing weight can help improve sleep, and lower stress and anxiety.

Dr. Collins wants healthy weight and good eating habits to be a regular, judgement-free conversation with his patients. He finds that when his patients are

knowledgeable about what they need to do to lose weight and are motivated, they succeed at making the necessary lifestyle changes. “Some may only lose a pound a month, but because the weight is lost as a result of permanent changes in how the patients approach their overall health, they have a very high likelihood of keeping it off,” he says. The key, he explains, is that “lifestyle changes have to be doable, otherwise no one would stick to them.”

For more information about the seminar, “Impact of Obesity—Why You Need to Get and Keep a Healthy Weight,” on August 26, at 3:30 p.m., visit whhs.com/events or call 800.963.7070. Beginning August 27, view this and other archived seminars on Washington Hospital's YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/whhsinhealth. For more information about Dr. Collins' practice or to make an appointment, visit mywtmf.com/Find-a-Doctor/C/Thomas-Collins-Pallett-MD or call 510.248.1065.



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These residents at Acacia Creek Senior Living Community in Union City know how to live! Currently, there are 38 proud and active members of the Acacia Creek 90+ Society. The group was originally established in 2014 by a resident who wanted to recognize the successful aging efforts of the most senior community members. Each year, the nonagenarians gather for a luncheon to celebrate their longevity and share poems and other inspiring writings. This year—especially with the lifting of the COVID-19 restrictions—there was extra cause for celebration. Though it was a long year of change and many sacrifices, our community has made it through the pandemic this far without a positive test! Where residents and community members support each other's wellbeing, there is no better place to age successfully than Acacia Creek!

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California governor kicks off \$1.1 billion statewide cleanup plan

BY OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gov. Gavin Newsom has kicked off California's \$1.1 billion plan to clean trash and graffiti from highways, roads and other public spaces, an effort he said will beautify the state and create up to 11,000 jobs.

"This is an unprecedented effort to acknowledge what all of us recognize as we drive around this state: It's too damn dirty!" Newsom said from the side of a San Francisco Bay Area highway.

At-risk youth and people who were formerly homeless or formerly incarcerated will be given

priority for the jobs created by the three-year program. In the last week, 400 people have already been hired or offered a job, Newsom said.

The cleanup comes amid growing frustration with homeless encampments that have sprouted under highway overpasses and near freeway exit and entry ramps throughout California in the past few years. The encampments have grown during the pandemic, and many are crammed with discarded sofas, mattresses and other trash.

An estimated 161,000 people are experiencing homelessness in the nation's most populous state,

more than in any other. Advocates say they can't house people quickly enough with a shortage of housing units and high rents. The Clean California program funds are not allowed to be used to displace people experiencing homelessness.

The Democratic governor, who faces a recall election this year, pointed out that he has proposed \$12 billion to get more people experiencing homelessness off the streets and into homes of their own. "When our teams are out there on encampments notifying people of our intent to clean up an encampment, we're doing so with more resources than any time in California history to follow through on our commitment to get people housed, and get people out of these dangerous environments," he said in Richmond.

California's transportation agency, Caltrans, is responsible for

maintaining many of the roadways but has struggled to keep up. Newsom's office said Caltrans collected 270,000 cubic yards of trash in 2020 -- enough to load 18,000 garbage trucks.

Newsom said the biggest single investment the state previously made to remove litter from public spaces was \$110 million. He later traveled to Fresno, in central California, and helped a Caltrans crew pick up trash from the side of a highway in 95-degree weather. He also planned to visit Southern California as part of several events to highlight the cleaning plan.

John Cox, a Republican candidate for California governor, campaigned in Fresno hours earlier with an 8-foot ball of trash he uses to tout his homelessness plan, which calls for forcing homeless people into mental health or addiction treatment before providing them with housing.

The beautification plan will be a partnership with cities and counties, which will receive one-third of the money in grants, the governor said. "Those dollars will be leveraged well beyond a billion-dollar state investment because we're going to leverage local dollars with a matching program," he said.

Beyond cleanup, the effort is about adding art to public spaces, Newsom said. "It's not just about addressing encampments. It's also about leaving something behind, beautifying the landscape and looking at art components" such as murals, he said.

Newsom first announced a \$1.5 billion Clean California initiative in May, but the Legislature decreased the funding to \$1.1 billion in the final budget the governor signed last month.

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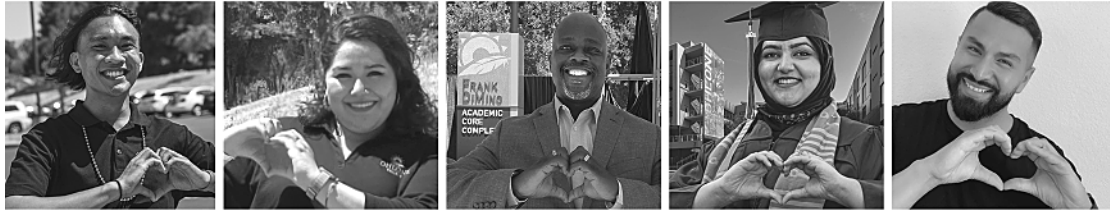
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Chanticleers Theatre
returns to in-person with
The Four Poster

This production, featuring Roger Caetano and Rhonda Joy Taylor, is directed by John Baiocchi, a longtime Bay Area director, producer, and actor. Baiocchi, the Artistic Director and Board President for Chanticleers Theatre, said about *The Four Poster*: “This story is near to my heart. My wife and I have been married for 47 years, and Agnes and Michael are spouses we all can identify with. We start our married lives lovestruck and euphoric. Then time, kids, money problems, illness and other strife test our love and commitment to each other. Those of us who are lucky enough to weather these storms come out at the end as lifelong friends and companions. The gray hair and wrinkles are badges of honor that we should all wear proudly.”

To purchase tickets either for either in person performances or streaming access, please go to chanticleers.org. Flex-Pass holders should contact us directly for either live performances or streaming at reservations@chanticleers.org PLEASE NOTE: All in-theatre patrons as well as staff will be required to wear masks at all times in the theatre building. Any patrons who are uncomfortable or unable for any reason to wear a mask for their entire visit are requested to purchase a streaming ticket.

The Four Poster
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Mixed-media art exhibit focuses
on anti-Asian racism

SUBMITTED BY DAWN BALESTRERI,
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Cathy Quon, a San Francisco born Chinese-American mixed media artist is exhibiting her collage and assemblage artwork, “Silent No More: A History of anti-Asian Discrimination” through July 31 at the Castro Valley Library. The collection focuses on racism against Chinese- and Japanese-Americans.

“I hope my works will build viewers’ awareness of AAPI history and call attention to the racism, both historical and shockingly fresh, against our people,” Quon explained. The artwork is unique in its sociopolitical bent, while incorporating some of the traditional methods of collage and assemblage.

The display is in the library’s lobby and can be seen during regular library hours from 10:00 a.m.

to 12:00 noon, Mondays through Thursdays and Saturdays. A casual outdoor “Meet the Artist” gathering is set for 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, July 17 near the front door of the library at 3600 Norbridge Ave. Admission is free. For details, call (650) 336-3468 or send an email to quoncj@gmail.com.

Artist ‘Meet and Greet’
Saturday, Jul 17
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Cathy Quon, “Silent No More”
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Fossils, flora and fauna
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Are you eager to explore some new hiking trails this summer? Look no farther than Sabercat Historical Park. The park includes 1.8 miles of out-and-back trail, much of it paved and ADA accessible, with a dirt path loop at the west end offering more rugged and steep terrain.

Pedestrians, bicyclists, and pets on leash are welcome during the park’s open hours from sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset. Parking is

available along Quema Drive, near the Quema Drive and Paseo Padre Parkway entrance near the Mission San Jose neighborhood. Additionally, there is a small parking lot at the Via Orinda and Castillejo Way entrance with a pit toilet restroom (bring your own hand sanitizer). Interpretive signage along the way describes the fossils found there, the modern-day flora and fauna, and other aspects of the land’s history.

Park officials are also looking for help from citizens to manage

several restoration sites; volunteers remove invasive plants as well as plant and maintain native species to help stabilize soils and creek banks, filter pollutants, increase native plant diversity, and improve food and shelter for wildlife. No experience is necessary. All ages are welcome, but children younger than 12 must be accompanied by an adult who is registered.

To learn about upcoming volunteer opportunities, subscribe to Habitat Restoration newsletter at <https://lp.constantcontact-pages.com/su/JWt9aOM/Habitat>.

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Startstruck Theatre returns to live performances

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Join StarStruck Theatre as we finally return to in-person performances! Based on the award-winning Broadway musical and the smash hit motion picture, *Legally Blonde The Musical Jr.* is a fabulously fun journey of self-empowerment and expanding horizons. The show’s instantly recognizable songs are filled with humor, wit and sass — leaving audiences seeing pink!

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New director named
at Dominican
School of Music

SUBMITTED BY
STEPHAN T. PIPPEN

Veteran music educator Sharon Hendee has been named new director of the Dominican School of Music by the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose (DSMSJ) in Fremont. Hendee has been a faculty member at the School of Music for 23 years and replaces Sister Eva Beehner who served as the school's leader for 21 years.

"We are so delighted to have Sharon serve as the new director of the Dominican School of Music," said Sister Cecilia Canales, Prioress of DSMSJ. "She's experienced, passionate, and her creative energy is exactly what we were looking for to take the School of Music into the future."

After accepting the position, which was announced to the public July 8, Hendee said, "I am grateful for the support and prayers the Dominican Sisters have given me. I am so excited about

the opportunity to lead such an amazing group of music teachers who are very caring and are committed to developing students' musicianship as well as the whole person."

The Dominican School of Music has been in existence since 1961 and provides music lessons in an environment of acceptance, trust and security at an affordable price. Located in the Mission San Jose neighborhood of Fremont, the school offers private and group music lessons in piano, violin, viola, flute, piccolo, clarinet, voice, music theory and guitar in high quality studios. The goal of the school is to nurture the whole student and their creative musical potential.

Students perform in annual recitals in the facility's School of Music Recital Hall, and are coached and prepared for competition, auditions, and music festivals by highly skilled musicians who share music with their students.



Sharon Hendee

Over the years, students have received numerous awards and honors from various organizations including the California Band Directors Association All State Honor Band, Nor Cal All State Honor Band, California Orchestra Directors Association All State Honor Orchestras, California Music Educators Association Honor Orchestra, Junior Bach Festival, Bay Area Music Association and others.

For more information about the music program, including enrollment details, (510) 657-2468 or visit the web-site at www.msjdominicans.org/education-arts/dominican-sisters-school-music.

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Cancer Foundation at Street Eats, a collaboration between the Fremont Chamber of Commerce and Food Truck Mafia. Fremont Street Eats is a great opportunity to eat delicious food truck offerings and connect with community members, businesses, and nonprofits!

HERS will have a booth at the July 16 Street Eats and we'll bring along awesome giveaways. Stop by our table and learn what's new at HERS and spin our Pink Prize Wheel to win amazing prizes. We'll be at Street Eats again on August 13, and September 10.

Street Eats is located in the parking lot of the Fremont Main Library at 2400 Stevenson Boulevard.

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in Milpitas,
Santa Clara County

SUBMITTED BY MARIANA WALKER,
SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

The Santa Clara County Library District (SCCLD) is happy to announce SCCLD community libraries expanded hours of service on Monday, July 12. This gives patrons more opportunity to visit the library to browse the full collection, use public computers and printers, reserve available meeting rooms or just stop in for a comfortable place to read.

"Offering additional service hours gives our patrons more options to come by the library at their convenience," County Librarian Jennifer Weeks said. "Many of our locations will open at 10 a.m. on most

days, and will all open at 10 a.m. on Saturday offering up to 18 additional hours a week to enjoy the library."

SCCLD is projecting to resume evening hours and service seven days a week in the fall. Curbside pickup is still available for those who prefer contactless service; patrons may make an appointment on our website. Since the library serves everyone in the community, including children who are not eligible for COVID-19 vaccination, visitors need to be COVID-19 symptom free and wear a face covering, regardless of vaccination status, to enter.

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The right vehicle at the wrong time: 2021 Chrysler Pacifica S

BY MICHAEL COATES
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I try to view a vehicle through the lens of the potential purchaser, someone who has a use for a particular type of vehicle—or sometimes at least thinks they have such a use. Minivans have carved out a solid niche in the automotive market as the Swiss Army Knife of vehicles, able to carry up to eight people in comfort, capable of hauling more stuff more securely than you could pack into a big pickup, and still able to park in a normal garage.

I've had enough personal and professional experience with minivans to appreciate them, but when I spent a week in a 2021 Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid (actually a plug-in hybrid) this year, it was just the wrong time to be piloting a minivan around. At that point in the Covid-19 pandemic, we were still in lockdown—no group outings with folks out of our small pod, no trips to the grocery store or Home Depot as long as those places could deliver, no shuttling of children to group activities since those were shut down. In sum, the functionality of the minivan was wasted. It just felt out of place.

But enough of the disconnection of the vehicle with its then-present reality. Let's place it in the real world that we all are hoping to return to soon and see how it should work.

Basics

A minivan is essentially a passenger car that has had its interior space maximized in order to provide more passenger and cargo space inside, while still maintaining car-like handling and functions like parking.

Over the years, Chrysler (the major popularizer of the minivan) has continued to innovate the concept, drawing on its millions of existing owners to improve the vehicle's functionality and versatility with now-standard features like automatic doors on both sides of the car, seats designed to store in the floor to give a flat loading surface, and hundreds of little things like manually folding exterior mirrors.

The 2021 Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid carries that tradition forward with a contemporary powertrain that pairs a four-cylinder engine with an electric motor (both power the front wheels) and a small battery to enable the car to drive up to 32 miles on electricity alone before the gas engine kicks in. With its dual propulsion system, the Pacifica has a total range of 520 miles, something tough to equal in an all-electric minivan—if there was one on the market (they're coming, but not here yet).

The beauty of a plug-in hybrid is that if you can plug it in at home every night and run as an EV for short commutes or around-town errands. Even if you can't plug it in, the Pacifica runs as an efficient hybrid, turning in an EPA-estimated 19 mpg in the city, 28 on the highway and 27 combined.

Outside/Inside

The 2021 Chrysler Pacifica is a refined design that shows years of wind tunnel experimentation and some artful sculpting on a very basic one-box setup. In my book, the Pacifica is the best-looking minivan on the market.

When you get inside the Limited's \$795 "S" appearance



S seats

package I drove, it's a different world. The muted, "blend into the suburban background" look of the typical minivan is left behind in favor of track-worthy seats upholstered in dramatic red Nappa leather. Outside, the "S" is fitted with black aluminum 18-inch wheels that extend the boy-racer look.

Minivans have moved up in the vehicle pantheon over the years. They're now on the upper end of mainline affordable vehicles. Pacifica models start at \$40,620; my Limited with the S package ended at \$50,825.

Bottom Line

The downturn in minivan popularity means choices have been narrowed to four solid ones besides the Pacifica. Over at the Dodge dealers, a traditional-looking and less expensive Grand Caravan continues to be offered. The Honda Odyssey gets refreshed every few years without really changing. It's a solid player that has offered a few tricks and treats, such as an integrated vacuum. The fourth-generation Toyota Sienna took a big step under the hood this year, finally adding Toyota's hybrid powertrain to

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boost its fuel economy (now 36/36/36 mpg). Finally, Kia has renamed its minivan (formerly the Sedona) the Carnival, but I haven't had a chance to get behind the wheel to assess where it fits.

Toyota offers better fuel economy overall, but doesn't plug in like the Pacifica, so it offers minimal electric-only range. If most of your driving is local and you can charge it regularly, the Pacifica Hybrid can take you around on electrons, defaulting to gas on longer trips. Even with the limited choices, they're quite broad for the minivan enthusiast.



Stow n Go seats



Overall

Competitive youth soccer hits Fremont

SUBMITTED BY ZEE KERAWALA

Over the July 10 weekend dozens of young soccer players gathered at Central Park in Fremont to play in the California Technology Cup, billed as one of the first large post-pandemic soccer tournaments in the Bay Area.

The two-day event was sponsored by Rush Soccer, the largest network of youth soccer clubs in the United States. It included Rush Soccer teams from Fremont and San Jose, along with teams from Reno, Nevada, Los Angeles and surrounding areas. Over the last six months, Fremont Rush coaches have been meeting to ensure that each player and

their families receive the best possible level of play and experience.

On Saturday, teams played as many games as possible to prepare for Sunday's knockout event to win first place. Players were divided into brackets depending on the previous day's results, with winning teams advancing to the final.

Fremont Rush coaches have been working nonstop for several weeks to get their players ready for the California Technology Cup. "Our practice has been really focused on two elements, building from the back and finishing in the

final third. Along with that we've worked on a lot of high intensity training so we're fit and ready to go," explained Coach Ali Gedikli.

Coach Enrique "Queeks" Tovar said, "This is my boys first 11v11 tournament so we've been really working on getting used to a big field. I've worked on individual development, on and off the ball as well."

The goal of Rush Soccer is to create a professional pathway for young male and female soccer players, with instruction from the organization's extensive network of professional coaches and technical staff. More information about the organization and their local soccer events is posted on the Fremont Rush website at www.fremontrush.com.



Rush Soccer coaches work extensively with young male and female players to bring out their best level of play.
Credit: Rush Soccer

Governor Newsom Announces Appointment

SUBMITTED BY GOVERNOR’S PRESS OFFICE

Governor Gavin Newsom announced on July 2, 2021 that Hyun “Francisco” Kim, 56, of Fremont, has been reappointed to the California Acupuncture Board, where he has served since 2018. Kim has been an Acupuncture Practitioner at Harmony Holistic Wellness Center since 2019, Clinic Director and Acupuncturist at Healtones Medical Clinic since 2014 and Adjunct Clinical Instructor at Touro University California, College of Osteopathic Medicine since 2014.

Kim was Partner at Eastridge Medical Group from 2012 to 2013 and Owner of St. Francis Clinic from 2004 to 2012. He is a member of the Association of Korean Asian Medicine and Acupuncture and earned a Master of Science degree in oriental medicine and acupuncture from South Baylo University.

This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Kim is registered without party preference.

Civilian astronauts talk to students about upcoming mission

BY LEE ROOR, AL.COM

American space travel’s past, present and likely future met in Alabama on July 1 when the first private-citizen astronauts talked about their privately funded mission with students at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville.

“It’s really the first time any astronauts have gone into space flight that weren’t sent there by a superpower,” Jared Issacman said of his crew’s upcoming mission during a visit with students at the space center’s Aviation Challenge program. The reference was to America, Soviet Union/Russia and China.

Issacman is a billionaire businessman, jet pilot and Aviation Challenge alumnus. He’s also the man who will pilot the upcoming mission dubbed Inspiration4. His all-private crew launches aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket in September for a three-day flight in a SpaceX Dragon capsule.

Issacman’s crew includes Chris Sembroski, a Lockheed Martin engineer, amateur astronomer and former Space Camp counselor; Hayley Arsenaux, a cancer survivor and physician’s assistant at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital; and geoscientist Dr. Sian Proctor. The launch is also a fundraising benefit for St. Jude that is seeking to raise \$200 million for the Memphis child cancer research hospital.

“I’m really excited for all of you,” Sembroski told the Aviation Challenge students, “because we are going into the most exciting time for space exploration in decades with all the missions that are being announced.” Issacman agreed, “We’ve got to get it right, because if we do that it ensures that the timeline for all the interesting missions to follow can maintain its track and succeed.”

“The name of this flight is the reason this place exists and is the mission we both share,” U.S. Space & Rocket Center Executive Director and CEO Dr. Kimberly Robinson said introducing the crew. “To inspire the spirit of discovery and change the world through the power and passion of space exploration.”

The crew fielded questions including one from a 17-year-old who just received her associate’s degree from a community college. “I originally wanted to be a pilot,” she said, “so what would be some inspirational thoughts you might pass on to us for the future?”

“Congratulations on graduating with your associate’s degree,” Proctor said. “I’m a community college professor, so that’s fantastic. It was my dream to get my pilot’s license when I was a kid, but it was a dream that I didn’t achieve until I was 35 years old.”

Proctor said she dreamed of being a military aviator, space shuttle commander “or something like that. Those dreams kind of slipped away but then came back into my life. And now I’m in my 50s and I’m going into space.

“What I like to say is don’t give up on your dreams,” Proctor said. “Keep pursuing them and keep being passionate. Life’s gonna take you in different directions. But if you just keep moving forward, amazing things are going to open up. Our world is changing fast and we need you to be a part of it.”

After their remarks and Q&A with the students, the Inspiration4 crew toured the U.S. Space & Rocket Center that is returning to full operations after a pandemic year that temporarily closed its world-famous Space Camp and rocketry museum. The center is also the official welcome center of NASA’s Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville.

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THE ROBOT REPORT

Abundant Robotics closes fruit harvesting business

BY STEVE CROWE

Abundant Robotics, a Hayward, California-based agricultural robotics company founded in 2016, has shut down. According to a memo about Abundant’s liquidation obtained by The Robot Report, the company “was unable to develop the market traction necessary to support its business during the pandemic.”

On June 29, 2021, Abundant put up for sale all of its intellectual property and assets. Abundant said it has a “host of IP, including a large body of vacuum manipulation patents (and patent applications), a patented sensory system to allow the vacuum to navigate obstruction, a patented world-class vision system for identifying fruits and their quality, and several software patents for the machine’s automated operations (including a solution to solve for “doubles” that enables the machine to pick multiple fruit at once.”

Abundant failed to raise another round of funding. It previously raised a total of \$12 million, according to Crunchbase, but its \$10 million Series A closed back in May 2017. It raised a \$2 million Seed Round from SRI Ventures in 2016.

Abundant developed a harvesting robot that initially targeted apples. The system combined computer vision and

a vacuum end-effector to select and pick ripe fruit, transferring it into a bin. The company estimated its machine could reach between 50-90% of fruit on trees. The system is designed to augment human labor and could allegedly pick apples every two seconds. Abundant said it was targeting a pick rate of 1.5 seconds for the commercialized version of the robot. The company planned to broaden the type of fruit it picked in the future.

According to the company’s liquidation memo, Abundant partnered with one of New Zealand’s largest apple growers, T&G Global, to test the apple harvesting robot in small-scale commercial trials. Abundant said it also conducted similar small-scale trials in the U.S with multiple customers. According to the memo, the market for orchard fruit production is about \$200 billion, about \$40-60 billion of which is specific to apple production.

Abundant said some of its competitors include FFRobotics (Israel), Ripe Robotics (Australia) and Tevel (Israel). Tevel won a 2021 RBR50 Robotics Innovation Award, produced by our sister publication Robotics Business Review, for its tethered drone that uses vision and an attached robotic arm and gripper to pick ripe fruit.

Abundant was planning to use a robotics as a service (RaaS) model. It would own, maintain,

transport, and operate the robots in exchange for contract payments from farms, focusing on two 90-day harvest seasons: August-November in the Northern Hemisphere and February-May in the Southern Hemisphere. The company claimed to have developed a “strong, \$100M+ business development pipeline through four years of co-development with industry leaders across the U.S., European and Oceania regions.” Abundant projected it would be cash flow positive “as early as Q2 2024, representing revenues at that time of less than 2% of the total available market.”

Despite this shutdown, the agricultural robotics market has seen a variety of acquisitions and investments in 2021. Most notably, Somerville, Massachusetts-based startup Root AI was acquired by AppHarvest for \$60 million in April. Root AI was developing the Virgo harvesting robot for indoor farms. The robot can identify and harvest multiple crops, including tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and more. Its tomato dataset, for example, allows it to identify more than 50 varieties of the fruit.

Abundant spun out of SRI International and was co-founded by Michael Eriksen, Curt Salisbury and Dan Steere.

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Abundant Robotics’ apple-picking robot
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A FOLKTALE FROM AUSTRALIA

How Kangaroo Got a Pouch

Some of the words in the story got washed into the stream. Use them to fill in the blanks.

One day, Mama Kangaroo was _____ with her joey near a stream.

An old, blind wombat wandered close to them. He was _____ and muttering, "Old and useless, old and useless ..."

Mama Kangaroo asked him, "What's the trouble, friend Wombat?"

"I'm old and I'm blind and none of the other _____ want me around. I'm very lonely."

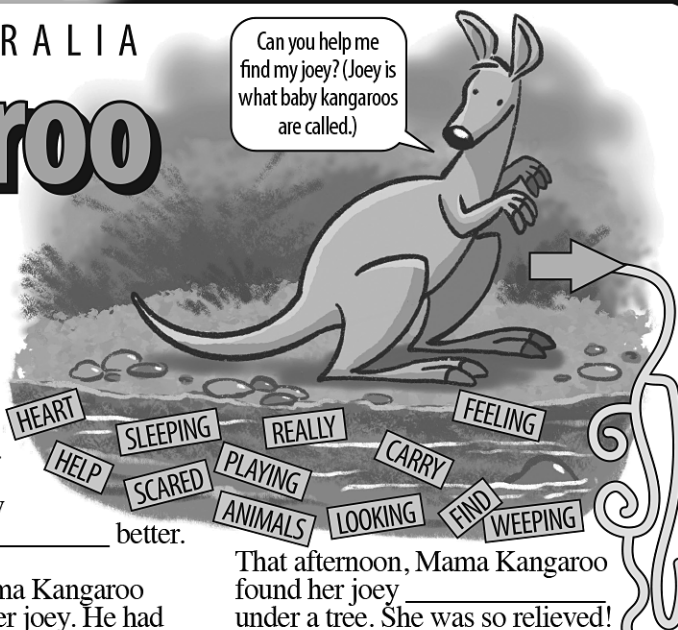
Mama Kangaroo had a kind heart. "I'll be your friend," she said. "My joey and I will _____ you find tasty grass and clean water."

Wombat smiled. It made Mama Kangaroo happy to see him _____ better.

Just then, Mama Kangaroo looked for her joey. He had wandered off! She couldn't _____ him.

Mama Kangaroo was _____. She said to Wombat, "My joey has wandered off! He's always hopping away when I'm not _____!"

Can you help me find my joey? (Joey is what baby kangaroos are called.)

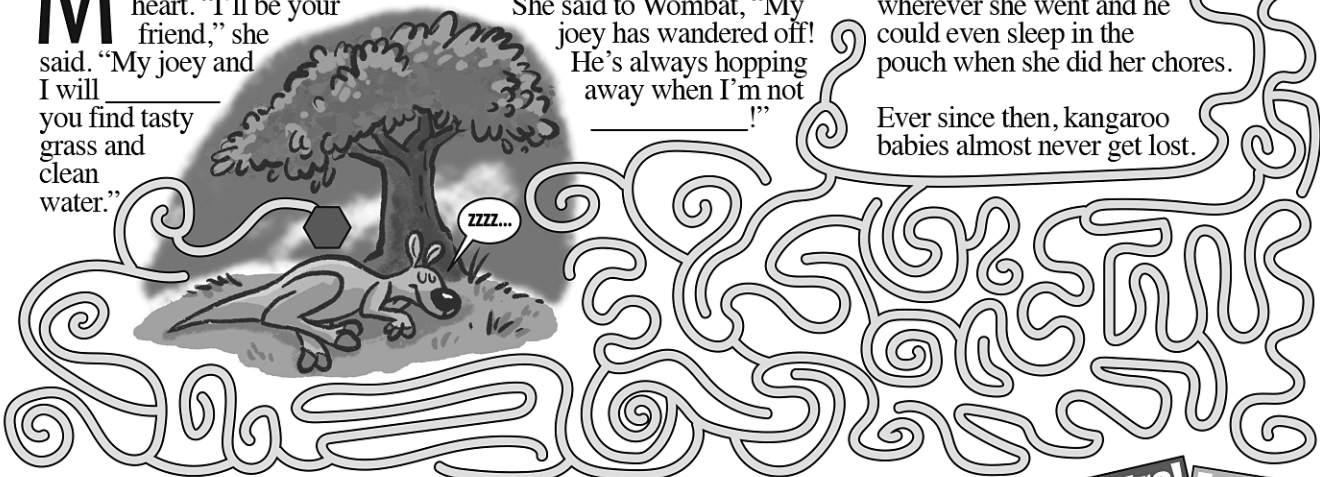


That afternoon, Mama Kangaroo found her joey _____ under a tree. She was so relieved!

Wombat was not _____ a wombat – he was the god Byamee in disguise. He had come to the world to find out which creature had the kindest _____.

Byamee gave Mama Kangaroo a gift – a pouch where she could carry her joey! Now she could _____ him wherever she went and he could even sleep in the pouch when she did her chores.

Ever since then, kangaroo babies almost never get lost.



What is a wombat? A wombat looks like a small bear but is, in fact, a marsupial with a pouch to carry its young. They are found in Australia and the surrounding islands.



Kangaroo Code Trivia

▲ = A ■ = J ▽ = O ▽ = X
 □ = B ■ = L ▽ = S ▽ = Y
 ▽ = E ▽ = M ▽ = W ▽ = Z

What's the name for a group of kangaroos?

▽ ▽ ▽ ▽

What do you call a kangaroo that weighs less than 45 lbs (25kg)?

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Who is Byamee?

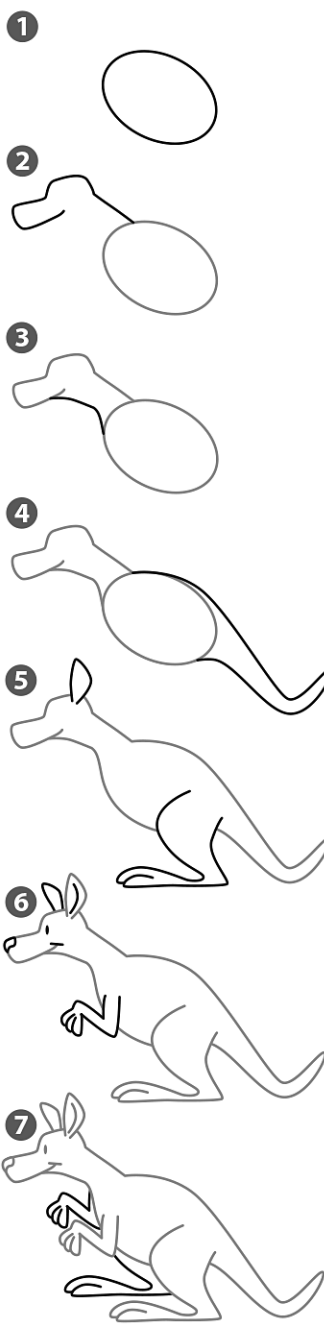
In Australian aboriginal mythology, Byamee is the creator god and sky father. The first inhabitants of Australia have been there for more than 50,000 years.

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Double Double Word Search

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RELIEVED
WOMBAT
BYAMEE
FATHER
SCARED
POUCH
BLIND
HEART
TEACH
JOEY
LOST
GIFT
MAMA

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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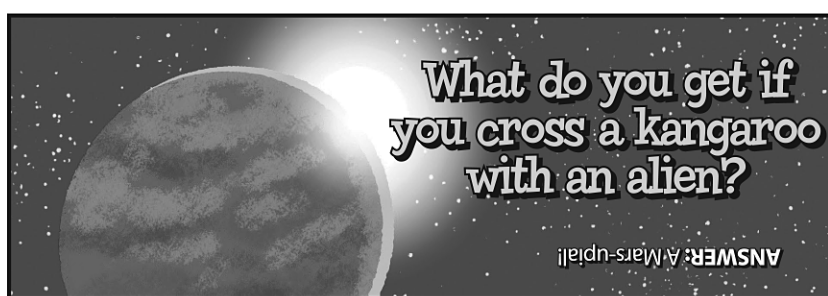
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Hop Through the News

Hop is a **verb**. It is an action word. Look through the newspaper for 10 or more action verbs such as swim, run, walk, etc. Can you act out each one?

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ANSWER: A Mars-upbali

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Alameda County’s AC Alert System notifies subscribers with critical information in the event of an emergency at any time of the day or evening. Select your home city, work location, and other sites of your choosing to receive notifications on your home, mobile, or business phones, emails, text messages, and more. AC Alert is a unified system for Alameda County residents, businesses and visitors, and works in partnership with Alameda County agencies and its 14 cities, which includes the City of Fremont. Sign up online at www.ACAlert.org.

HOPR e-Scooters
Now Available in Fremont



HOPR e-scooters are now available throughout Fremont for public use. One hundred scooters have been parked at locations across the city and can be found using the HOPR app. E-scooter operators must follow all rules of the road as determined by state law. In June, the City expanded its pilot program with HOPR to a permanent program that also includes e-bikes and scooters. E-bikes are anticipated for

deployment across the city later this year. For more information visit www.Fremont.gov/3278/Shared-Bike-and-Scooters. Be safe and happy riding!

Active Fremont: Walk, Bike, Hike



Join our new health and wellness campaign—Active Fremont: Walk, Bike, Hike, in partnership with Washington Hospital, East Bay Regional Park District, Regional Parks Foundation; and the City of Fremont. As the State of California has fully reopened the economy on June 15, 2021, and more people continue to be vaccinated, embracing a healthier lifestyle this summer is more important than ever. What better way to stay fit then to seek Fremont’s beautiful outdoors to walk, bike, and hike in your local community!

Follow us on social media at #ActiveFremont through September 6 as we share weekly health tips; recipes; walking, bicycling, and hiking routes in Fremont; and meet-up events to keep you motivated. Stay tuned for fun prize drawings and giveaways.

One of our strategic objectives is to help families and youth be active this summer and be ready to walk or bike to school in the fall. So, whether you are 8 or 80, Active Fremont: Walk, Bike, Hike welcomes everyone!

For more information visit www.Fremont.gov/ActiveFremont.

Fremont - Know Your Zone!



Alameda County is the latest Bay Area county to officially connect to Zonehaven, a new wildfire evacuation system. The new evacuation system is now live. In the event of an emergency situation, law enforcement and fire agencies issue both evacuation warnings or evacuation orders for impacted areas. These notices are issued for a specific Zone or Zones. In order to understand whether your area is under an evacuation warning or order, it’s important to Know Your Zone.

- To obtain your Zone information, follow these instructions:
- Go to <https://community.zonehaven.com>
 - Type in your address. Your Zone name will appear.
 - Write down your Zone and place in a visible area.

Zonehaven does not replace AC Alert. AC Alert provides critical information quickly in a variety of situations such as earthquakes, fires, severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods, so be sure to sign up at www.acalert.org if you have not already.

City Facilities - Reopening and
New Operating Schedule



Now that California has fully reopened the economy and ended the regional tier system, the City of Fremont has transitioned to a substantial reopening of City facilities to serve our residents and business community beginning July 6, 2021. Visit www.Fremont.gov/Reopening for updates on staggered opening dates and revised hours. The City will continue to comply with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and local health agencies to provide a safe workplace for our employees and customers.

Governor Extends
Residential Eviction Moratorium

Governor Newsom has recently signed AB832 extending the residential eviction moratorium to September 30, 2021. Fremont residential tenants are also protected by a County residential eviction moratorium, which may extend past the state’s September 30 date. Answers to frequently asked questions about the eviction moratorium are available at www.Fremont.gov/EvictionMoratoriumFAQ.

If you are behind on your rent due to COVID 19, you may be eligible for assistance. Please visit www.Fremont.gov/KeepFremontHoused to see if you qualify and to apply.

As a result of COVID-19...

Are you struggling to pay rent?

Do you owe your landlord past due rent?

Do you owe past due payments on utility bills?

Are you a landlord who is owed rent?

Keep Fremont Housed

Rental Assistance Program

As part of a federal relief package, the City of Fremont’s Human Services Department is implementing **Keep Fremont Housed**, a rental assistance program, to assist Fremont households and landlords financially impacted by COVID-19.

Keep Fremont Housed helps:

- Renters pay past due rent or future rent
- Renters get caught up with utility bills
- Landlords supplement owed rent

How To Apply

For complete information and to apply, visit Fremont.gov/KeepFremontHoused

Program Eligibility for Renters

- Rental unit must be located in Fremont
- Renter has household income at or below 80% of Area Median Income
- Renter qualifies for unemployment or has experienced reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19
- Renter demonstrates risk of experiencing housing instability or homelessness

Priority given to households who have experienced unemployment for 90 days preceding their program application or have a household income at or below 50% of Area Median Income



Fremont author's picture book brings Indian culture to young readers



BY ANDREW CAVETTE

Swetha Toleti, a Fremont resident, has started a publishing company and released her first book. When reading to her one-year-old daughter, Toleti would tell her the folktales she had heard as child, but only from memory and not from a book.

"My mother and my grandmother would narrate stories to me, but this generation is a little different," Toleti said.

Telling these stories out loud wasn't enough for Toleti. She wanted to have illustrations and cultural representations her toddler could look at while hearing stories and learning to read.

Toleti researched books being published in India that included these folktales. She discovered that longer, paperback versions, meant for older children were common there... books for very young readers were harder to find.

Toleti asked other parents living in the Bay Area and found they had encountered the same lack of options. She decided to solve that problem and started Kabooki, LLC.

Her first publication is The Hungry Crow, a new version of Aesop's Fable "The Fox and the Crow." In this folktale, a crow finds a cracker (or bread, or cheese) and decides to eat it. A fox wants the snack for himself. The fox asks the crow to sing, so he can hear the crow's beautiful voice. The crow believes the fox, opens his beak, and drops the snack into the fox's gaping mouth.

Toleti explained that Aesop's fable, while good source material, doesn't visually represent the culture in which she was brought up. Toleti wanted to set the story in an Indian village, during a carnival, to show her daughter all the people, clothing and colors she remembers. In her version, the crow grabs a bit of vada, a fried, savory, doughnut-shaped snack before losing it to the fox's trickery.

As The Hungry Crow is set in a country her daughter was not yet familiar with, Toleti said it was important to hire an illustrator

who knew what these villages actually look like: the way people dress, the way the delicious vada would taste, etc.

Toleti hired Nilanjan Ghosh, an illustrator currently living in the city of Kolkata in West Bengal, India. The village that Ghosh used for his reference is called Tirol, located in the Hooghly district of West Bengal. He is very familiar with the village.

"I spent most of my vacation in our village house when I was a kid," Ghosh said. "How people enjoy their life with simplicity, their dresses, the [landscape], carnival/fair and all. I have illustrated the scenes based on those memories."

With time, Toleti hopes to expand the scope of Kabooki, LLC. She wants to publish stories from others cultures exactly the way they are told, and get them directly from the people who heard them growing up. Reading published folktales (and merely updating the illustrations to reflect different cultures) isn't good enough, according to Toleti.

"Right now, at the beginning, I am focusing on the stories I heard as a kid," Toleti said. "But I want to create a repository, a community, where the older generation can pass on their stories to the next generation, (to an even younger audience) in a toddler-friendly format."

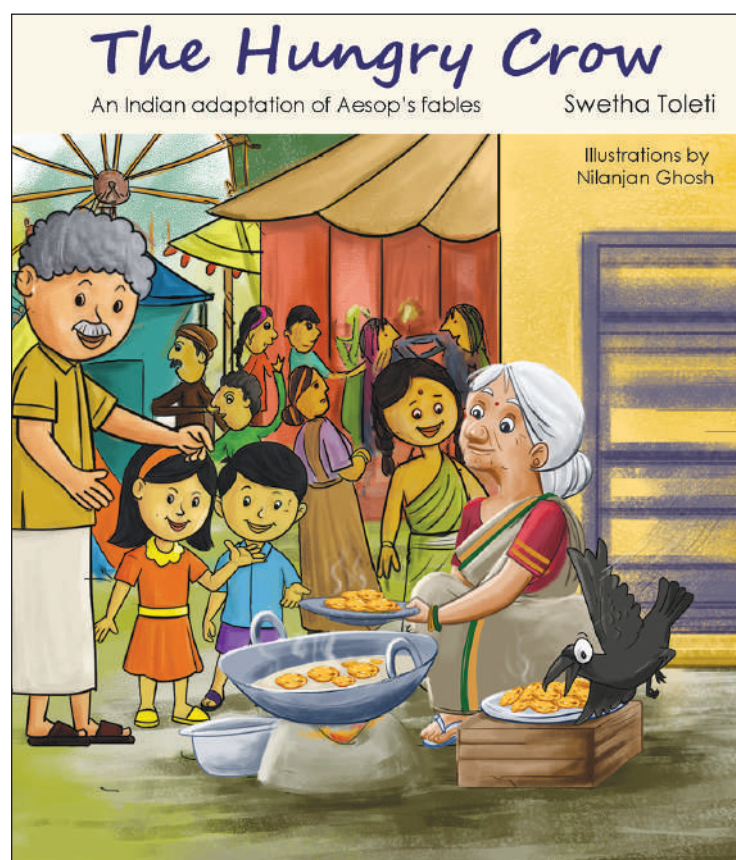
Toleti's publishing company has a presence on Facebook and Instagram. The Hungry Crow is available now, and a second publication is coming soon. Everything Kabooki, LLC has to offer is available on their website [kabooki.com](https://www.kabooki.com).

Kabooki, LLC

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Find Nilanjan Ghosh's work on Instagram at @illustration_ni-lanjanghosh777.





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The City of Fremont is seeking ON-CALL MEDIATORS for the Rent Review Ordinance

Interested? Visit fremont.gov/rentreview for full details on the scope of services and the Fremont Rent Review Ordinance.

Submissions must be emailed to rlopez@fremont.gov no later than July 16, 2021 at 4pm



CITY OF Fremont
Human Services Department

CNSB#349044

Meet Mia, the tripod poodle of TriPaw Tales

SUBMITTED BY PAMELA ADLER

Local author Pamela Adler is hosting a Meet and Greet at Towne Center Books in downtown Pleasanton to promote her children's book Maddy and Mia: TriPaw Tales. Everyone is invited to meet the real-life Mia featured in the book. Photos of the unique tripod toy poodle with her pink ears and tail will be allowed and copies of the book will be on hand for sale and signature by the author and Mia. Those who previously purchased TriPaw Tales are welcome to come by to have their copy signed.



TriPaw Tales book signing
Saturday, July 17
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Towne Center Books
555 Main St., Pleasanton

Home & Garden

Use Cinnamon to repel insects

BY DANIEL O'DONNELL

Mention cinnamon to bakers and they will imagine warm rolls or some other sweet tasting breads. Suggest cinnamon to bartenders and they will think of a liqueur or cinnamon flavored whiskey. Bring cinnamon up with chefs from almost any country in the world and they will recall a delicious savory home country recipe. Broach the word cinnamon to organic gardeners, and the response will most likely have nothing to do with flavoring food.

Cinnamon is a spice harvested from a small group of evergreen trees in the laurel family and Cinnamomum genus. Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, and China account for 99 percent of the world's cinnamon production although the trees are grown in other tropical and sub-tropical regions around the world. Cinnamon is harvested from the moist interior bark of two-year-old trees, then dried for about six hours when it naturally curls. It is then cut into the 2-to-4-inch quills or sticks that are sold in grocery stores or ground into cinnamon powder.

The majority of cinnamon's aroma and flavor comes from cinnamaldehyde and its essential oil. Cinnamon adds a rich aroma and distinctive taste to many soups, rice, noodle, poultry, fish, beef, and numerous desert dishes and has numerous other

compounds that make it useful in the garden.

One of cinnamon's most valuable contributions to home and garden is when it is used as an ant deterrent. Laboratory research has shown that high concentrations of chemical compounds extracted from cinnamon were effective in repelling ants. Ground cinnamon



can have enough repelling compounds in it to deter some ants, especially if there is an easier food or water source elsewhere. It really depends on the tenacious will of the ant colony and may be worth trying before using harsh poisons.

Cinnamon essential oil is toxic to both houseflies and fruit flies and can repel other flying insects such as gnats, whiteflies, and mosquitoes. Add about 20 drops of cinnamon essential oil to the water in a 16-ounce sprayer to make an effective plant spray. Mist indoor and outdoor plants

with the solution about once a week to help keep flying bugs at bay. Cinnamon essential oil can be purchased at local health food stores or online.

A second cinnamon plant spray recipe option is to mix 4 tablespoons of ground cinnamon into a half gallon of water and shake it vigorously. Let it sit for three to four hours and then strain the mixture through a coffee filter and into a spray bottle. The solution can be sprayed about once a week to repel flying insects and to combat leaf molds, powdery mildew, and fungal rust.

The anti-fungal properties in cinnamon have other uses as well. Ground cinnamon sprinkled on the soil of a mushroom prone planter can be effective in preventing them from sprouting. A light dusting of ground cinnamon on a plant wound or on a pruning cut can prevent fungal infections. Cinnamon scattered on the soil used to grow seedlings can prevent them from

damping off, a fungal problem that kills newly sprouted plants.

Propagating plants from root cuttings is a rewarding and economical way to acquire new plants. Ground cinnamon makes a great rooting compound. It stimulates root growth in almost every plant variety that can be grown by cuttings. Simply dip the cutting stem in water, then into some ground cinnamon, and then place in a container with damp potting soil. Chemical compounds in the cinnamon should stimulate and accelerate root growth.

Some people have had success in repelling rodents and other small mammals from certain plants by using cinnamon sticks or powder in the garden. Many of these small animals that people do not want in the garden do not like strong scents that confuse their ability to smell. This alone might keep some of them away. For the more determined and curious critters, taking a deep smell of cinnamon can cause a slight and short irritation to the inside of their mouth or nose which might be enough of an annoyance to keep them away.

Cinnamon used on plants does not have to be of the highest quality, buying it in bulk is the most cost-effective way to justify using it for nonculinary purposes. It is much healthier for people and wildlife when chemicals are avoided in and outside the home. Cinnamon works well, but on the infrequent occasions it does not, at least the plants will smell good.

Daniel O'Donnell is the co-owner and operator of an organic landscape design/build company in Fremont. www.Chrysalis-Gardens.com



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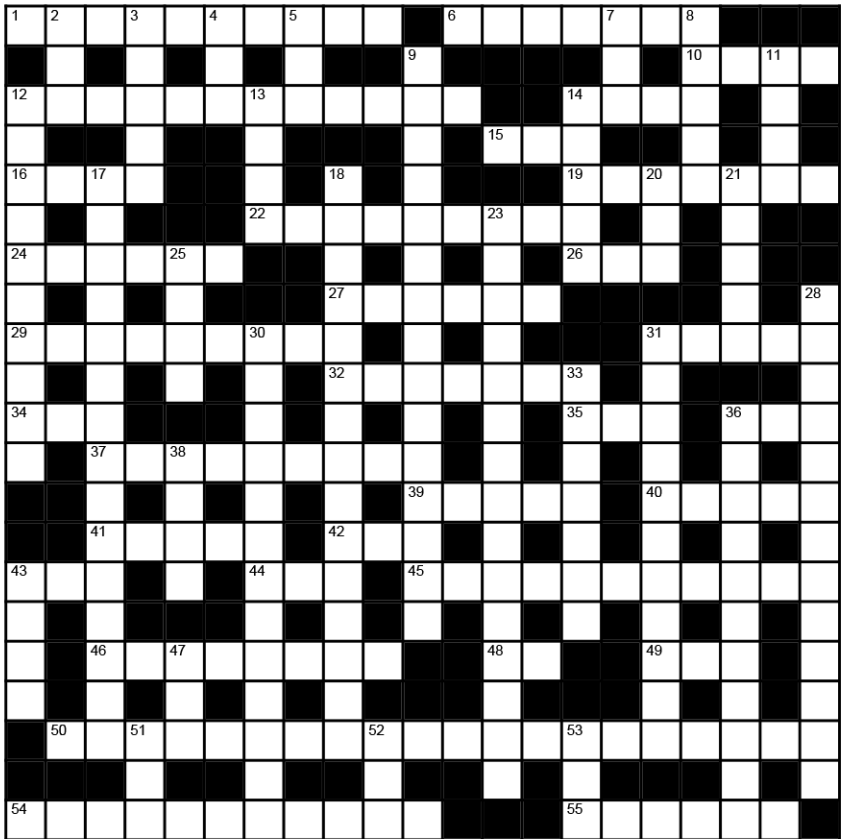


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Mind Twisters

Crossword Puzzle



- Across

1

Direct (10)

6

Before (5,2)

10

Aleutian island (4)

12

Not going anywhere (7,5)

14

Hokkaido native (4)

15

Apply gently (3)

16

Girasol, e.g. (4)

19

Bromo ingredient (7)

22

Followers (9)

24

Fate (6)

26

Reporter's question (3)

27

Total (4,2)

29

Entanglement (9)

31

Drudge (5)

32

Birds (7)

34

Book before Neh. (3)

35

Major record label (3)

36

Part of a geisha's attire (3)

37

Gave up (9)

39

Hideouts (5)

40

Figure of speech (5)
- 41

1950's candidate Stevenson (5)

42

___ Aquarids (May meteor shower) (3)

43

Modifying wd. (3)

44

"ER" network (3)

45

Popular cable channel (11)

46

1953 Kentucky Derby winner or a 1974 cult sci-fi film (4,4)

48

... (2)

49

Beer barrel (3)

50

Batting order? (4,4,3,2,3,4)

54

Color similar to larkspur (7,4)

55

Flips (6)
- Down

2

Clandestine maritime org. (3)

3

Add up (5)

4

Palillo of "Welcome Back, Kotter" (3)

5

"___ lost!" (3)

7

Sixth-century date (3)

8

It's a part of life (5)

9

High ground (3,8,4)

11

Diva ___ Te Kanawa (4)
- 12

Amassed (10)

13

1962 Johnny Mathis hit (4)

14

Discompose (5)

17

Grave (2,5,2,1,5)

18

Bakery offering (9,6)

20

Spotted, to Tweety (3)

21

Jazz pianist Chick (5)

23

Possible title for this puzzle (7,2,6)

25

Gen. follower (4)

28

How this answer is situated (6,7)

30

End of the query (13)

31

Special person (5,6)

33

In one's cups (7)

36

Vigilant (2,4,5)

38

"Cleopatra" backdrop (4)

43

Cool drinks (4)

47

Bad-mouth (3)

51

Computer key: Abbr. (3)

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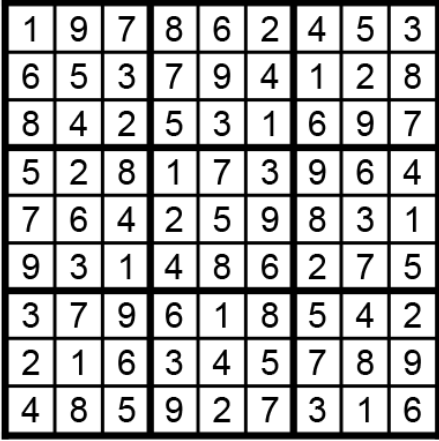
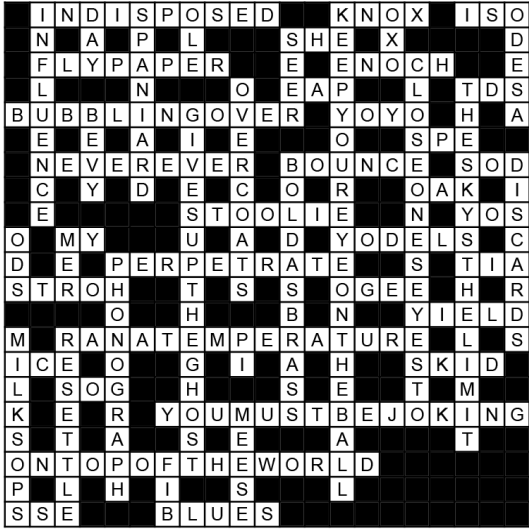
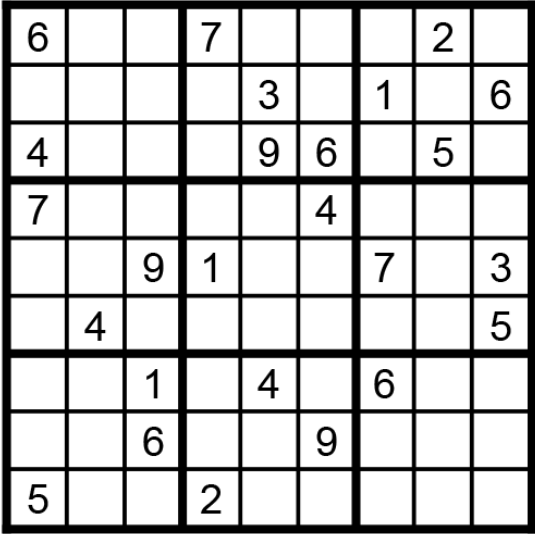
Part of some e-mail addresses (3)

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Lao-___ (3)

Sudoku:

Fill in the missing numbers (1 – 9 inclusive) so each row, column and 3x3 box contains all digits.



Tri-City Stargazer FOR WEEK: JULY 13, 2021

All Signs: This week looks promising! It starts with Mercury dancing with lucky Jupiter. Then Venus lines up with Mars. Following that, the Sun nods at Neptune.

Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20): This is a positive week! Your focus on home and family is strong. Expect enthusiastic family discussions about plans or major repairs. These discussions might include social plans. Interaction with a parent is still strong. This is a very playful, fun-loving week for you! Sports, social outings, fun activities with children and romance will be on the menu. You might also have a heart-to-heart talk with someone in your family. If so, it will be mutually sympathetic and mutually beneficial.

Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20): Because you are in a positive frame of mind this week, you will have a positive week. You are making big plans, and you are excited about something. Spontaneous short trips are likely. Expect to entertain at home and be involved with family occasions. Nevertheless, increased chaos and activity at home will create some pandemonium. Later in the week, day dreams and fantasies will appeal. You might also have a heart-to-heart talk with someone.

Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20): Money, cash flow, and earnings continue your priority. This week, you have moneymaking ideas! You also have big plans connected with cash flow. This could mean a financial outlay in your business, or it might mean a major expenditure. Some of you are busy taking care of or repairing something that you own. Meanwhile this is a fast-paced, upbeat, optimistic week for you.

Your relations with others will be smooth and friendly. You will be aggressive in going after what you want.

Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21): A lively week for you! The Sun is still in your sign boosting your energy and attracting opportunities and people to you. Meanwhile, at the beginning of the week, Mercury is in your sign dancing with lucky Jupiter. This pumps your enthusiasm and makes you want to endorse big ideas. Meanwhile, fair Venus and Mars are lined up in your Money House. Venus will attract money to you and encourage buying beautiful things while Mars will make you use something you own to get stuff done. Guard against impulse purchases to boost your ego.

Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22): You are still taking a backseat to everything around you because the Sun is hiding in your chart, waiting to make its dramatic entrance when your birthday arrives. Until then, be happy playing things low-key. You will be excited about a study or research this week that will yield happy results. This is also a great week to buy wardrobe items for yourself. With Venus in your sign, you will love socializing and you will be oh so charming. Fortunately, fiery Mars will boost your energy. As your birthday approaches, you are making plans in several different areas.

Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22): Your popularity continues to soar! Everyone wants to see your face, especially younger people. The beginning

of this week is a wonderful time to make plans and set future goals. You like to do this because you are a natural list maker. You might organize a social gathering of people this week. Meanwhile, personally, the probabilities of a secret love affair or at least a flirtation are extremely high. Some of you are doing something that could be juicy diary fodder. Enjoy a friendly week with others.

Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22): This is a powerful week because the Sun is still at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight, which means others admire you. Since the Sun is at the top of your chart only once a year (for four weeks), make the most of this fabulous advantage! Go after what you want! A discussion with a boss, parent or teacher will make you happy because it will include exciting. Meanwhile, as one of the most social signs in the zodiac, you will be glad to hear it is a great week to schmooze and enjoy the company of artistic, creative types.

Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21): You are restless for adventure right now. You need a change of scenery, and you are eager to travel. Basically, you want to do something different so that you feel stimulated and turned on! You will particularly enjoy meeting people who are different and unusual – perhaps younger. This week you might make big travel plans or you might make ambitious plans connected with law, medicine, higher education, publishing, and media. Relations

with parents and bosses are excellent now because Venus will smooth the way for all discussions.

Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21): Most of you are totally absorbed with dealing with shared property, taxes, debt, and the wealth of someone else. You might be busy with financial transactions, inheritances, and red-tape details. Discussions about these areas will go well this week, especially on Monday. Meanwhile, as the traveler of the zodiac, you are keen to make travel plans, which you will do because both Venus and Mars want you to get outta Dodge. Venus encourages travel for pleasure as well as romance with someone “different.” Mars will make you act on these desires.

Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19): Partnerships and close friendships continue to be a big focus for you because the Sun is still opposite your sign this week. This happens only once a year for four weeks. For starters, you will have more objectivity to see your own role in these relationships. That could be illuminating. On Monday, an important discussion with someone will be upbeat and perhaps ambitious in its scope. Meanwhile, keep your pockets open because you can benefit from the wealth of someone this week. Romance will also be hot and sexy!

Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18): You continue to be in work mode. You are enthused about your job. Discussions about

business and commercial activities will go well, especially Monday. This is a good time to sign contracts. Your mind is very sharp and quick to see the big picture. You will also be open to new ideas. Fortunately, Venus opposite your sign promotes good relations with others, which is what you need because Mars opposite your sign can promote tension with partners and close friends.

Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20): It continues to be play city for your sign! Accept all invitations to party. Enjoy sports events, social outings, playful activities with kids, little or big vacations as well as chances to express your creative talents. Romance will flourish! At the beginning of this week, you might be excited about big vacation plans or plans related to a major social event or something to do with your kids. Meanwhile, things are going very well at work for you because Mars gives you the energy to be doggedly persevering while Venus promotes relations with coworkers.



By Georgia Nicols
www.georgianicols.com.

CASTRO VALLEY TOTAL SALES: 16						
Highest \$: 1,620,000		Median \$: 1,085,000				
Lowest \$: 555,000		Average \$: 1,090,938				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
2505 Miramar Ave #123	94546	555000	2	936	1988	4/12/21
20115 Redwood Rd #11	94546	625000	2	866	1988	4/14/21
20030 San Miguel Ave	94546	845000	3	1280	2016	4/15/21
17324 Ehle Street	94546	853000	3	1437	1952	4/12/21
22403 Moyers Street	94546	877000	2	1140	1949	4/16/21
18177 Redwood Road	94546	910000	4	1680	1962	4/12/21
5287 Crane Avenue	94546	950000	3	1321	1955	4/12/21
4342 Veronica Avenue	94546	1000000	3	1106	1952	4/16/21
18674 Center Street	94546	1170000	3	1508	1955	4/12/21
19614 Vaughn Avenue	94546	1200000	3	2037	1953	4/15/21
5692 Shadow Ridge Dr	94552	1250000	4	1891	1973	4/16/21
18026 Laird Court	94546	1275000	3	1652	1957	4/15/21
5329 Fairweather Court	94552	1400000	5	2820	1999	4/14/21
18418 Carlwyn Drive	94546	1425000	4	2272	1955	4/16/21
5582 Trailside Court	94552	1500000	5	2240	1974	4/13/21
5877 Highwood Road	94552	1620000	5	1932	1962	4/14/21

FREMONT TOTAL SALES: 47						
Highest \$: 2,568,000		Median \$: 1,228,000				
Lowest \$: 435,000		Average \$: 1,181,032				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
4534 Thornton Ave #18	94536	435000	1	724	1972	4/13/21
3507 Buttonwood Terr #304	94536	460000	1	936	1985	4/13/21
3475 Deerwood Terr #103	94536	509000	2	990	1986	4/15/21
47133 Male Terrace #82	94539	523500	1	675	1987	4/14/21
3453 Baywood Terr #206	94536	560000	2	981	1987	4/15/21
37155 Aspenwood Comm #204	94536	581000	2	981	1986	4/14/21
166 Hackamore Ln #10	94539	600000	2	835	1983	4/16/21
39917 Lindsay Mcdermott Ln	94538	615000	2	1120	1981	4/13/21
40353 Laiolo Road	94538	658000	4	1595	1955	4/14/21
34573 Falls Terrace #77	94555	689000	1	1000	1989	4/14/21
34558 Falls Terrace #23	94555	735000	2	950	1990	4/13/21
3316 Howard Common	94536	750000	3	1168	1971	4/14/21
874 Cherry Glen Cir #111	94536	767000	2	1168	1987	4/13/21
5661 Spry Common	94538	785000	2	1157	1994	4/13/21
37647 Teakwood Drive	94536	940000	3	1079	1953	4/16/21
42830 Via Puebla	94539	940000	3	1242	1971	4/16/21
35660 Viola Court	94536	970500	3	1150	1957	4/16/21
45258 Tom Blalock St #307	94539	990000	0	0	0	4/14/21
4610 Ridpath Street	94538	1100000	3	1148	1959	4/13/21
36411 Grace Terrace	94536	1120000	3	1475	2004	4/14/21
32720 Tule Lake Lane	94555	1180000	4	1409	1976	4/16/21
5150 Roycroft Way	94538	1210500	3	1434	1961	4/16/21
40520 Verne Street	94538	1220000	3	1472	1960	4/16/21
42760 Newport Drive	94538	1228000	3	1613	1958	4/13/21
41131 Denise Street	94539	1275000	3	1148	1957	4/16/21
4659 Flamingo Park Ct	94538	1280000	4	1916	1964	4/14/21
39386 Sutter Drive	94538	1285000	3	1368	1959	4/14/21
4115 Fairwood Street	94538	1305000	4	1444	1959	4/14/21
4915 Cliffrose Terrace	94536	1330000	4	2054	1997	4/12/21
34192 Firenze Terrace	94555	1330000	4	1969	2013	4/15/21
5121 Vernon Avenue	94536	1340000	3	1322	1961	4/15/21
327 Starlite Way	94539	1361000	3	1558	1962	4/16/21
1849 Kilowatt Way #302	94539	1390000	0	0	0	4/15/21
43152 Coit Avenue	94539	1415000	3	1315	1952	4/12/21
38456 Garway Drive	94536	1420000	3	1441	1960	4/14/21
40336 Pacific Street	94538	1450000	4	1662	1958	4/13/21
3764 Harlequin Terrace	94555	1460000	4	1855	1990	4/16/21
5491 Shattuck Avenue	94555	1520000	4	1642	1989	4/16/21
4271 Canfield Drive	94536	1530000	3	1818	1961	4/12/21
47705 Avalon Heights Terr	94539	1600000	4	3374	1999	4/16/21
3134 Puttenham Way	94536	1610000	3	1688	1972	4/16/21
3495 Deodara Street	94538	1650000	5	2009	1958	4/13/21
421 Calistoga Circle	94536	1700000	4	2083	1993	4/16/21
4397 Nicolet Avenue	94536	1730500	4	2336	1965	4/16/21
3613 Howe Court	94538	2092500	4	1856	1958	4/16/21
523 Monument Court	94539	2300000	4	2384	1988	4/14/21
157 Fecundo Terrace	94539	2568000	0	0	0	4/13/21

HAYWARD TOTAL SALES: 35						
Highest \$: 2,525,000		Median \$: 760,000				
Lowest \$: 252,000		Average \$: 814,129				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
324 Copperfield Avenue	94544	252000	3	1038	1960	4/14/21
21699 Haviland Avenue	94541	295500	3	1372	1924	4/16/21
25129 Copa Del Oro Dr #151	94545	375000	1	608	1991	4/13/21
357 Laurel Avenue #2	94541	430000	2	882	1974	4/16/21
26629 Luvena Drive	94544	475000	3	951	1950	4/15/21
926 Cheryl Ann Cir #21	94544	481000	2	1060	1979	4/13/21
22367 Western Blvd	94541	540000	1	540	1925	4/12/21
26290 Stanwood Ave	94544	550000	3	1041	1952	4/14/21
22914 Grand Street #1	94541	595000	2	1262	1992	4/16/21
17996 Firestone Road	94541	605000	2	1270	1973	4/12/21
34 Ballard Court #4	94544	630000	3	1425	1984	4/15/21
1724 Calais Court	94541	672000	3	1336	1987	4/16/21
31959 Albany Street	94544	675000	3	1031	1951	4/12/21
27854 Mandarin Avenue	94544	700000	3	1000	1954	4/16/21
687 Macabee Way	94541	710000	2	1227	2011	4/15/21
18026 Sahara Road	94541	711000	3	1314	1973	4/13/21
24879 Arvilla Lane	94544	750000	3	1209	1951	4/14/21
1954 Boca Raton Street	94545	760000	3	1128	1956	4/16/21

24259 Broadmore Ave	94544	775000	3	1246	1955	4/16/21
24320 Groom Street	94544	780000	3	1064	1950	4/16/21
26574 Colette Street	94544	785000	3	951	1950	4/13/21
26200 Parkside Drive	94542	850000	3	1830	1985	4/13/21
3331 Baumberg Avenue	94545	850000	2	572	1940	4/16/21
28034 Whitman Street	94544	850000	3	1544	1950	4/16/21
24977 Pleasant Way	94544	860000	3	1287	2014	4/14/21
636 Tina Way	94544	875000	3	1078	1955	4/14/21
3332 Jamie Way	94541	975000	4	1800	1979	4/15/21
24669 Sylvan Glen Court	94541	1000000	4	1944	1979	4/14/21
1409 Poppy Lane	94545	1065000	3	2350	2017	4/13/21
4192 Star Ridge Road	94542	1100000	0	2202	1976	4/13/21
27848 Hummingbird Ct	94545	1105000	4	1474	1971	4/13/21
22771 Rose Vine Court	94541	1208000	4	2989	2012	4/12/21
3199 Kelly Street	94541	1285000	3	2581	1959	4/12/21
26985 Call Avenue	94542	1400000	4	3164	1991	4/12/21
4028 China Court	94542	2525000	3	3221	1959	4/13/21

MILPITAS TOTAL SALES: 8						
Highest \$: 1,500,000		Median \$: 1,047,500				
Lowest \$: 780,000		Average \$: 1,110,625				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
335 North Temple Drive	95035	780000	3	1146	1970	6/1/21
334 Montecito Way	95035	865000	2	1165	1992	6/2/21
1617 Greenwood Way	95035	900000	3	1190	1967	6/1/21
600 South Abel St #218	95035	965000	3	1421	2007	6/1/21
402 Desert Holly Street	95035	1130000	3	1666	2018	6/1/21
1747 Starlite Drive	95035	1365000	4	1748	1965	6/3/21
801 Coyote Street	95035	1380000	3	1354	1964	6/4/21
2164 Pedro Avenue	95035	1500000	4	1761	1977	6/2/21

NEWARK TOTAL SALES: 10						
Highest \$: 1,818,000		Median \$: 1,010,000				
Lowest \$: 500,000		Average \$: 1,178,300				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
6342 Joaquin Murieta Ave #396c	94560	500000	2	905	1982	4/16/21
6406 Buena Vista Dr #A	94560	620000	2	1031	1987	4/14/21
8561 Seawind Way	94560	900000	0	0	0	4/15/21
5798 Pandorea Terrace	94560	980000	2	1425	2018	4/15/21
37633 Masts Cove Way	94560	1000000	4	1829	2017	4/16/21
38935 Trillium Way	94560	1020000	3	1925	2017	4/14/21
37596 Back Bay Road	94560	1425000	4	2293	2018	4/13/21
36348 Tunbridge Drive	94560	1750000	3	2813	1993	4/16/21
8529 Preserve Avenue	94560	1770000	3	1712	2017	4/12/21
8177 Merion Drive	94560	1818000	3	1953	1975	4/15/21

SAN LEANDRO TOTAL SALES: 19						
Highest \$: 8,008,000		Median \$: 875,000				
Lowest \$: 495,000		Average \$: 1,574,974				
ADDRESS	ZIP	SOLD FOR	BD	SQFT	BUILT	CLOSED
15335 Washington Ave #210	94579	495000	2	1108	1985	4/16/21
690 Fargo Avenue #15	94579	500000	2	1020	1965	4/14/21
1021 Warden Avenue	94577	650000	3	963	1944	4/15/21
219 Suffolk Drive	94577	700000	2	1025	1943	4/14/21
1269 Wayne Avenue	94577	740000	3	1158	1943	4/13/21
2222 Pomar Vista Street	94578	750000	3	1008	1954	4/16/21
1454 Church Avenue	94579	755000	3	1241	1952	4/13/21
1505 148th Avenue	94578	765000	2	1018	1945	4/15/21
3567 Monterey Blvd	94578	800000	3	1115	1955	4/15/21
14755 Van Avenue	94578	875000	2	1708	1935	4/14/21
1722 Eveleth Avenue	94577	920000	3	1944	1955	4/14/21
259 Maud Avenue	94577	930000	3	1443	1918	4/14/21
13828 Wake Avenue	94578	936000	3	1708	1947	4/15/21
250 Garcia Avenue	94577	950500	2	1189	1926	4/16/21
238 Lorraine Boulevard	94577	1020000	2	1608	1940	4/15/21
15180 Orion Road	94579	1200000	4	2820	1999	4/12/21
1476 Regent Drive	94577	1430000	4	2636	1968	4/15/21
780 Dowling Boulevard	94577	7500000	2	960	1924	4/13/21
1236 Minerva Street	94577	8008000	2	1082	0	4/13/21

SAN LORENZO TOTAL SALES

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BALLOONS

THE WONDER OF CHILDHOOD



misdirecting people with a straight face. He then introduced me to balloon twisting, and I discovered I was really good at it and could create magic with my hands in my own way,” shared Chan.

The Chans are a clan of skilled performers – Dan is a master magician and Kat is an accomplished balloon twister. “Our family now all perform with Dan performing magic. I balloon twist and am a magician’s assistant, our son, James,

performs magic, and our daughter Grace does a little of both,” added Chan. (We covered James Chan in our July 6 edition of TCV).

Chan started twisting balloons in 2003 and quit her desk job in 2006 to become a full time professional balloon twister. Over the years, she has performed for many well-known organizations like Google, Yahoo, the Warriors and even the Nelson Atkin Museum for the Lunar New Year celebration. One of the celebrated Warriors, Draymond Green, had Chan twist balloons for his son’s birthday party!

One could say Chan has seen and done it all when it comes to creating things out of balloons. Some of her favorite creations are a life-sized motorcycle that one can sit on, an eight-foot-tall Lunar New Year Dragon, a huge DSLR Camera for Pinterest, and an entire jungle scene including a lion coming out of the wall and a huge giraffe. “I have also done caricatures of many people including Draymond Green, Zaza Pachulia, and Jordan Bell of the Warriors,” shared Chan.

“There really is no limit to what people can imagine and what can be made out of balloons. While I do get a lot of requests for dogs and princesses, I get requests from children that make you take a step back and realize how much more creative they are than adults,” she added. The more unusual requests she has received include chain saws, vacuum cleaners, a ceiling fan and even a caricature of Marie Antoinette. But her favorite request was from a little girl asking for a cockroach.

Chan says that it takes much more than skill to become successful at this art. For a balloon artist, one of the most essential skills



to have is the ability to talk while crafting the audience’s request. “Audience interaction is crucial, since you’re often working with the most talkative group of people – children,” says Chan. This didn’t come naturally to her, and she would concentrate so hard in perfecting the creation, she would keep her head down and lose connection with the audience. “I’ve found that as I got better in both twisting and conversing, people hired me back more often. I’m now at the point where I can have full-blown conversations about cartoons and video games and whatever else children talk about while twisting fairly intricate pieces quickly,” she said.

One can only imagine the countless hours of practice Chan must put in to get to this stage. She emphasizes this in her advice to upcoming performers as well. “The most important thing is to practice the skill that goes behind the trick so well that you can do it without thinking. That will allow you to let your personality out on stage,” is how she puts it. Practice as an assistant helped her as well. Learning to assist her husband Dan with a complex magic trick took her hours and hours of practice in front of a live audience of parents, siblings, friends, colleagues, neighbors and practically anyone she could find. This is what helped her stay relaxed and calm in an actual show.

Engaging the audience is not the only thing that Chan excels in. “When performing together as part of a magic show, what comes most naturally is making the main performer shine - in my case, Dan or James. As a magician’s assistant, I have to



make sure the attention stays with the magician,” shared Chan. She emphasizes that while everyone brings a unique element to the show, the spotlight must remain on the main performer. Her favorite part of the job is seeing audience gasp in awe when Dan and James perform. “I may be biased, but I think both Dan and James are pretty darn good,” she added.

When not performing or practicing, Chan loves baking; building miniatures; watching cartoons, anime, and Marvel movies; and playing video games. “I’m currently playing Paper Mario Origami King, and Dan jokes that’s why I get along with children so well,” shared Chan.

Chan emphasizes the value of creating something that gives one purpose and meaning. The way to do it is by devoting yourself to loving others and the community around you. We wish Chan the very best as she continues to entertain audiences with balloon designs filled with joy, fancy and delight!

To learn more and to book a performance for a family or a corporate event:

Dan Chan Presents
(415) 244-2700
danchanpresents@gmail.com
<https://www.danchanmagic.com/>
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Call to confirm activities shown in these listings.

CONTINUING EVENTS

Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Parenting During COVID R

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Virtual support group to help families
cope with challenges encountered during
COVID*

To register:

www.fremont.gov/3060/Caregiver-Support

(510) 574-2100

Tuesdays

Free Virtual Sing-Along

7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

*Zoom choir meeting hosted by Mission
Peak Chamber Singers*

<https://www.chambersingers.org/>

Contact: info@chambersingers.org

Tuesdays

Practice Your Spoken English

4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

*Talk with native English speakers about
everyday topics in a friendly, welcoming
setting*

Via Zoom

[https://aclubrary.bibliocommons.com/](https://aclubrary.bibliocommons.com/events/search/index)

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Wednesdays

Niles Street Eats

5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Food trucks

Niles Town Plaza

37592 Niles Blvd., Fremont

Wednesdays

First Presbyterian Church of Newark Virtual Youth Group

7 p.m.

*Youth and young adults, students
welcome*

Contact: brian@newarkpress.org for

Zoom Meeting ID#

www.newarkpres.org

Thursday, July 15 – Thursday, August 19

Central Park Summer Concert Series

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

*Presented by Washington Hospital,
Lanner USA, and Fremont Bank*

Concert Schedule:

July 15 – The Sun Kings

(Beatles tribute)

July 22 – Ronstadt Revival

(Linda Ronstadt tribute)

July 29 – Carnaval (Santana tribute)

August 5 – Journey Revisited

(Journey tribute)

August 12 – David Martin's House

Party (Premier Party Band)

August 19 – East Bay Mudd

(R&B hits)

Central Park Performance Pavilion

40204 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont

<https://www.fremont.gov/concerts>

Thursdays

San Lorenzo Street Eats

5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Food trucks

500 Via Mercado, San Lorenzo

Fridays

Castro Valley Street Eats

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

*Food trucks and live music - support
The Chabot Theater*

Parking lot behind Trader Joe's

2490 Grove Way, Castro Valley

[https://www.thefoodtruckmafia.com/](https://www.thefoodtruckmafia.com/upcoming)

upcoming

Saturdays

Virtual Telescope Viewing R

9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Free on Facebook Live

*Join resident astronomers live from
Chabot's observation deck*

<https://chabotspace.org/calendar/>

Saturdays

Online Comedy Shows R\$

8 p.m. - 9 p.m.

*Made Up Theatre's interactive comedy
has gone to YouTube!*

<https://madeuptheatre.com/upcoming-shows/online-shows/>

Sundays

Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church Family Service

10 a.m.

Via ZOOM

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9NxtyzVaehQJHwLlpwPWlw>

35450 Newark Blvd., Newark

www.newarkpres.org

Sundays

St. Anne's Episcopal Church Service

10 a.m.

Socially distant outdoor seating

2791 Driscoll Road, Fremont

Via Zoom link:

www.stanneschurch.org

Third Thursday each month Chronic Pain Support Group

12:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.

Request link: njordan@fremont.gov

Thursday, March 18 – Monday, September 6 Immersive Van Gogh

9 a.m. – 11 p.m. (times vary)

*Walk-in exhibit with digital projections
and music*

SVN West San Francisco

10 South Van Ness Ave., San Francisco

Tickets: \$24.99 - \$39.99

www.vangoghsf.com

Saturdays & Sundays in July Niles Canyon Railway

10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

7/17, 7/18: Diesel Trains

Sunol Depot

6 Kilcare Rd., Sunol

www.ncry.org

Sundays, May 30 – July 25

"Travel Without Leaving Town" Film Series

3 p.m.

July 25: Frida: Viva la Vida

\$15 regular/\$10 students to age 21

Bankhead Theater

2400 First St., Livermore

lvpac.org

(925) 373-6800

Friday – Sunday, June 18 – July 18

Live Horse Racing

2:45 p.m.

<https://bit.ly/3yr6IEy>

Alameda County Fairgrounds

Gates 8 & 12 off of Valley Ave,

Pleasanton

Sundays, June 27 – August 15 St. Anne's Episcopal Church

12 noon – 1:30 p.m.

Afternoon discussion - change

*frustrating conversations into better
ones!*

In person or via Zoom

2791 Driscoll Rd., Fremont

(510) 490-0553

<http://stanneschurch.org/>

Tuesday, July 6 – Saturday, July 31

Silent No More: A history of anti-Asian discrimination

*Mixed media art exhibit by Chinese-
American artist Cathy Quon*

Castro Valley Library

3600 Norbridge Ave., Castro Valley

(510) 667-7900

www.cqcreations.net

Thursday, July 8 – Sunday, October 3

Olive Hyde Art Guild Members Juried Show

Virtual juried show of local artists

Virtual exhibit: <https://www.fremont.gov/3871/2021-Exhibition-Calendar>

In-person Gallery Dates: July 29 –

October 3

Thursday – Sunday, 12 noon –

5 p.m.

<https://olivehydeartguild.org/>

Saturday, July 17

Introduction to Beekeeping \$

9 a.m. – 12 noon

*Beginning beekeeper's course – learn
how to start your own hive.*

The Apiary at LEAF C.R. Stone

Garden in Fremont

<https://bit.ly/3wem2Cr>

To register, email

elaine@fremontleaf.org

Friday, July 16 – Sunday, August 8

The Four Poster \$R

Fri/Sat: 8 p.m.; Sun: 6 p.m.

Streaming available anytime

*Two-person play chronicling a couple's
married life*

Castro Valley Community Theatre

3683 Quail Ave., Castro Valley

(510) 733-5483

<https://chanticlers.org/>

Mondays – Saturdays

Grab & Go Craft Kits

Fremont Main Library, Centerville

Library, Union City Library

Check library for hours

*Crafts are a fun way to let kids
be creative*

Tuesdays and Thursdays in July

Music For Minors II Preschool Music Program \$

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Preschool age distance learning and

sing-a-longs

Via Zoom

www.mfm2preschool.org

Second Saturdays, July - December

Talkin' Dirt

8/14, 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11

9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

*Free webinar on gardening, hosted by
LEAF*

Via Zoom

<https://bit.ly/3hsOGKG>

UPCOMING Events

Tuesday, July 13

Free drive-through COVID-19 vaccine

12 noon
For Ohlone College students, faculty, staff, and the community
Newark Center, Lot D
39399 Cherry St., Newark
Go to <https://bach.health/vaccine/> to register
<https://www.ohlone.edu/rtc/resources/vaccination>

Wednesday, July 14

Marketing Strategies to Manage Customer Pitfalls and Boost Loyalty

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Don’t let the pandemic take away your customers! Free webinar by the SBDC.
<https://nc.ecenterdirect.com/events/48475>

Wednesday, July 14

Tri-City Nonprofit Coalition July Meeting —with Lance Nishihara

6:30 p.m.
Lance Nishihara shares on free strategies and resources for nonprofits
Via Zoom
Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/TC-NPCJulyZoom>
<https://tcnpc.org>

Thursday, July 15

Hayward Nonprofit Alliance

10 a.m.
Local nonprofits share their plans for upcoming events
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/3eYCHDq>
Meeting ID: 823 8148 0428
Passcode: 147350

Thursday, July 15

What it Takes to Be an Entrepreneur

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Learn to take your dream and make it a reality. Free webinar by the SBDC.
<https://nc.ecenterdirect.com/events/47889>

Thursday, July 15

Central Park Summer Concert Series

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
The Sun Kings pay tribute to The Beatles
Central Park Performance Pavilion (next to 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont)
(510) 494-4300

Friday, July 16

Harry Potter Movie Nights R

Order of the Phoenix
Gates open 7:30 - Movie starts at dusk
Drive in movie night
Lone Tree Cemetery
24591 Fairview Ave., Hayward
RSVP to: (510) 582-1274
<https://lonetreecemetery.com/>

Friday, July 16 – Sunday, July 18

Elephant & Piggie’s ‘We Are in a Play!’

F: 7 p.m., Sat: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Sun: 6 p.m.
Fun, jazzy musical based on Mo Willem’s characters
Heirloom East Bay
9990 Crow Canyon Road, Castro Valley
www.plethos.org

Saturday, July 17

Free Vaccine Clinic

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
No appointment or insurance needed.
Ages 12+
Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church
279 South Main Street, Milpitas

Saturday, July 17

Zoom Social Write-In

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Practice your craft in a fun, nonjudgmental atmosphere
Via Zoom
Request link from Scott Davidson: scottfrombayside@yahoo.com

Saturday, July 17

Meet The Artist

Chinese-American artist Cathy Quon
Castro Valley Library
3600 Norbridge Ave., Castro Valley (510) 667-7900
www.cqcreations.net

Monday, July 19

Milpitas Rotary

12 noon
Silicon Valley NAACP President Bob Nunez
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/364zWgd>
Meeting ID: 830 1305 6992
Passcode: 113524

Tuesday, July 20

7 o’clock Rocks!

7 p.m.
Join Groovy Judy live as she plays some rockin’ tunes
<http://facebook.com/groovyjudyrocks>

Wednesday, July 21 – Thursday, July 22

iPhone Training

2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Free online training – 2-day class
<http://bit.ly/AgeWellClasses>
(510) 790-6602

Thursday, July 22

Small Business, Innovation, and the New Normal

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Understanding your current business scenario. Free webinar by the SBDC.
<https://nc.ecenterdirect.com/events/48466>

Thursday, July 22

COVID-19 Vaccinations

2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Bay Area Community Health offers free vaccine and testing
Mission San Jose High School
43300 Mission Blvd., Fremont

Thursday, July 22

Central Park Summer Concert Series

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Ronstadt Revival pays tribute to Linda Ronstadt
Central Park Performance Pavilion (next to 40204 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont)
(510) 494-4300

Friday, July 23

Latino Business Roundtable

9 a.m.
La Familia Counseling Service CEO Aaron Ortiz presents
Via Zoom: <https://bit.ly/3xn5321>
Meeting ID: 827 9395 8686
Passcode: 121713

Friday, July 23

Abominable R\$

8 p.m. – 10 p.m.
Outdoor family movie night—popcorn will be delivered to your space!
Cardoza Park
1525 Kennedy Dr, Milpitas
<https://bit.ly/3jyWr4l>

Saturday, July 24

Sunset Science \$

6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Evening of activities and stargazing
Chabot Observation Deck
10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland
(510) 336-7300
chabotspace.org

Sunday, July 25

Opera in the Vineyard \$

5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Opera arias, show tunes and maybe even a little cabaret
Retzlaff Vineyards
1356 South Livermore Ave., Livermore
www.LVOpera.com

Tuesday, July 27

Free drive-through COVID-19 vaccine

12 noon
For Ohlone College students, faculty, staff, and the community
Fremont Campus, Lot H
43600 Mission Blvd., Fremont
Go to <https://bach.health/vaccine/> to register
<https://www.ohlone.edu/rtc/resources/vaccination>

Thursday, July 29

Central Park Summer Concert Series

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Carnaval pays tribute to Santana
Central Park Performance Pavilion (next to 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont)
(510) 494-4300

Wednesday, August 4

Minority-Owned Small Business Resources

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Resources, info, and links to assist minorities. Free webinar by the SBDC.
<https://nc.ecenterdirect.com/events/48474>

Thursday, August 5

Central Park Summer Concert Series

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Journey Revisited pays tribute to Journey
Central Park Performance Pavillion (next to 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont)
(510) 494-4300

Friday, August 6

Olive Hyde Art Guild Reception

7 p.m.
Mingle, meet local artists, and enjoy artwork in person!
123 Washington Blvd, Fremont
<https://olivehydeartguild.org/>

Saturday, August 14

How to become a Self-Published Author

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Online art demo by local writer Luanna K. Leisure
Email artinccv@gmail.com to register
www.LuannaLeisureBooks.com

Saturday, July 17

Relay for Life Rummage Sale

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sponsored by Cure Crusaders Family and American Cancer Society
First Presbyterian Church
35450 Newark Blvd., Newark
510-701-9005

Park It

By NED MACKay

In what park district counsel Carol Victor described as “a milestone moment,” East Bay Regional Park District’s board of directors voted unanimously at their July 6 meeting to end the district’s emergency status that had been invoked at the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The move is in response to a June 15 announcement by the state of California that industries statewide can resume usual operations, with appropriate risk reduction measures including masking and vaccinations.

The park district activated its own Emergency Operations Center 15 months ago, with representatives from all district departments. Its final meeting was on June 16.

Although the district’s COVID-19 restrictions remain in place, the district has resumed more normal operations, including reopening of visitor centers and swim facilities, in-person recreation and nature interpretative programs, facility rentals, and the return of remotely-working staff to in-person work.

District staff has determined that although the pandemic is not over, the situation is within the normal capacity of the park district to address. The decision follows guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the California Department of Public Health.

Director Ellen Corbett called the district’s response to the pandemic “a shining example of how to deal with COVID in a very effective way.” While encouraging precautions such as masking and social distancing, the district has kept almost all its parks and trails open during the pandemic, offering safe places for outdoor recreation.

As in-person programs and special events resume, the schedule will be announced at the park district website, www.ebparks.org. You can view the calendar of events by clicking on “Activities”

at the top of the home page, then on “Naturalist Information/Programs.”

It’s not too late to join in the 2021 Trails Challenge, the self-guided way to explore new regional parks.

Trails in the challenge range from easy and flat to strenuous and steep. Hike any five of the trails, or 26.2 miles of trails within the park district, turn in your trail log by December 1, and receive a commemorative pin (while supplies last).

For more information, visit www.ebparks.org/TrailsChallenge.

While you are out there, remember to be prepared for the hot weather. When you’re on the trails, be sure to carry (and drink) plenty of water. Once you are away from the trailheads and picnic areas, there isn’t any potable water available. And don’t forget water for your dog, if you have Fido with you.

Trail travel is best in the morning, before the heat of the day. And whether you go early or later, plot a route through more shady areas. Some good examples include the Bay View Trail at Pt. Pinole in Richmond, Wildcat Gorge Trail at Tilden Regional Park near Berkeley, the Stream Trail at Reinhardt Redwood Regional Park in Oakland, Huckleberry Botanic Regional Preserve in the Oakland hills, and Big Bear Loop at Anthony Chabot Regional Park in Castro Valley. Trail maps of these and other regional parks can be downloaded from the district website.

Cover up from the sun, too. Wear a wide-brimmed hat, light-colored clothing, and lots of sunscreen.

If you go alone, be sure to tell someone responsible where you are going and when you expect to return. Check in with them when you get back.

With a little common sense and some advance planning, we can all enjoy safe and enjoyable recreation experiences as the regional parks and other public open spaces move toward more normal pre-pandemic operations.

Hot August Night on the Rails

SUBMITTED BY NILES CANYON RAILWAY

Ride through the canyon on a beautiful summer night! This 80-minute diesel-powered round trip departs from our Sunol Depot at 7:30 p.m. on August 21, 2021.

As this is an evening run and temperatures can get cooler at night, please dress accordingly for the weather, since there will be a mixture of open and closed cars available. Please arrive 30-45 minutes before departure to ensure there is enough time to park, pick up your tickets and board the train.

Our snack bar will be open for hot dogs, cookies, chips, soda, and water. Restroom facilities will be available on the train.

Hot August Night on the Rails

Saturday, Aug 21
7:30 p.m.
Sunol Depot
6 Kilkare Rd., Sunol
(510) 996-8420
www.ncry.org/ride/hot-august-night/
Adults: \$30
Children 3-12: \$20
Seniors (62+): \$20



Social write-in – all levels welcome!

SUBMITTED BY TISH DAVIDSON

Put on your writing hat, explore your creativity, and meet other writers in a fun, nonjudgmental Zoom social write-in sponsored by Fremont Area Writers on Saturday, July 17 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. This event is for everyone from complete beginners to already published writers. It is *not* a writing critique session. Your writing will not be judged, just enjoyed by your fellow writers.

How the write-in works: After you sign in, the computer will randomly assign you to a virtual room with several other writers. Once everyone is gathered, you will get three writing prompts. Choose one and free write for eight minutes. You can write memoir, fiction, or poetry, but the writing prompts have been chosen to encourage you to write about yourself so that participants can get to know each other.

After you write, there is time for everyone in the room to read their response to the prompt

and exchange ideas and experiences in a relaxed, supportive atmosphere. The computer will then reassign everyone to a different room, the prompts will change, and the process will repeat.

Example prompts from past sessions:

The most interesting thing I ever found I never thought I would meet...

An activity I would like to try but haven't

To participate in the write in, please request the Zoom meeting link from Scott Davidson at scottfrombayside@yahoo.com.

Zoom Social Write-In

Saturday, July 17

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

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Pace of California wildfires well ahead of disastrous 2020

AP WIRE SERVICE

The number of wildfires and amount of land burned in parched California so far this year greatly exceed totals for the same period in disastrous 2020.

Between Jan. 1 and July 4 there were 4,599 fires that scorched 114.8 square miles (297 square kilometers), according to the

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

In the same time frame last year there were 3,847 fires that blackened 48.6 square miles (126 square kilometers).

By the end of 2020, a total of 9,917 wildfires had charred a record 6,653 square miles (17,231 square kilometers) and

damaged or destroyed 10,488 structures. Thirty-three people were killed.

This year's increased wildfire activity, which has damaged or destroyed 91 structures, has been driven by hot and dry conditions, Cal Fire said this week.

The entire state is in the grip of drought, much of it classified as extreme or

exceptional. After a dry winter and early heat waves, the landscape is covered in extremely dry vegetation.

Two of the three large wildfires burning for more than a week in the state's far north were more than 70% contained Wednesday while the stubborn Salt Fire north of Redding was 25% surrounded. A big fire in northern Los Angeles County was 88% contained.

A pandemic clothing purge is on as normal life resumes in US

BY LEANNE ITALIE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Alina Clark is about as tired of her pandemic wardrobe as her comfort clothes are stretched and torn.

“I have four sets of jeans, seven shirts and five sweaters that I wear every week,” said Clark, co-founder of a software development company in Los Angeles. “They’re everything I’ve worn in the last two years. Me and my wardrobe are suffering from COVID fatigue.”

A wardrobe purge is on for some as vaccinations have taken hold, restrictions have lifted, and offices reopen or finalize plans to do so. The primary beneficiaries: resale sites online and brick-and-mortar donation spots, continuing a trend that’s been building for the last several years.

At the resale site Poshmark, orders are up for handbags and work-worthy dresses when compared to last year. The same goes for blazers, suit jackets and heels.

Projections show the trend growing stronger. The secondhand clothing business is expected to more than double, from \$36 billion to \$77 billion in 2025, according to a recent report commissioned by the secondhand marketplace ThredUP and the research firm GlobalData.

The growth is driven by an influx of new sellers putting high-quality clothing into the market, said James Reinhart, co-founder and CEO of ThredUP. He estimates that 9 billion clothing items that are hardly worn are sitting in shoppers’ closets.

Even before COVID, buying and selling secondhand clothing was popular, but the pandemic made the appetite for thrift even more appealing.

The post-pandemic shopper is more environmentally conscious and is showing a greater appetite for clothes that have good resale value, rather than disposable fast fashion, Reinhart said. People who haven’t been able to wear most of the items in their closets for a year are more aware of waste and want to put their clothes back in circulation.

“There’s a new mindset around clothing consumption,” Reinhart said. “It’s not this buy, wear, throw out. There is this consciousness that happened during the pandemic where people were much more sensitive to this notion of waste.”

Maia DiDomenico’s mother introduced her to ThredUP during the pandemic. A recent college graduate who began a new job working with kids on the autism spectrum, the 23-year-old in Cranford, New Jersey, purged

some Athleta sportswear on the site and received \$557.60 in Athleta gift cards in exchange.

“It cleans your closet out quickly, and you have the chance to donate unwanted clothes,” she said.

For months, the 29-year-old Clark has had the urge to declutter her overflowing wardrobe, and she began piling up clothes for donation several weeks ago. But she’ll be purchasing new clothes.

She’s looking for some “glitz and glamour” as her Zoom life soon ends and physical get-togethers have begun.

Consumers are purging more than their worn-out pandemic wear.

At the luxury resale site TheRealReal, with more than 22 million members, the total value of pre-owned goods sold this year through May was about \$239 million, up by 53 percent from the same period in 2019, according to a company report.

Some are taking the opportunity to reinvent their personal style, said Jessica Richards, a trend forecaster and fashion director for the Accessories Council, a nonprofit trade group.

“We saw a lot of consumers abandon their mindless shopping habits and instead focus on investment dressing. Less of being ‘sick’ of their pandemic wardrobes but more wondering why they

might own as much or what is the breadth of their closet,” she said.

“It’s now about streamlining and zeroing in on what their desired personal style image should be.”

Not everybody is looking to abandon their COVID style, however.

In Lynchburg, Virginia, 33-year-old Cameron Howe is ready to burn just about everything she has worn during the pandemic - except her impressive legging collection - as she transitions from a school career.

“I bought 15 to 20 plus pairs of leggings,” she said. “In a few weeks, I’ll start a new career as a project manager for a local nonprofit. I plan on wearing leggings to work. Thankfully, both my past and new employer are legging-friendly. I don’t really want to wear real pants again. I developed an absolute love of leggings during the pandemic.”

Among those benefiting from the pandemic reawakening in clothes are dry cleaners.

Tom Ryan, vice president of franchising for CD One Price Cleaners, with 34 locations in the Chicago area, said they’ve been seeing an upward turn in dry-cleaning customers after a plunge of 80 percent during the pandemic.

“In March, we started making progress again given the vaccine

distribution,” he said. “As more people go back to work, we’re finally starting to see more people bringing their in-office clothes back for professional cleaning. Still, we expect post-pandemic attire and fashion trends to be different going forward with more people in the office less often.”

Ryan expects business casual to be more the new normal - swapping out button-up shirts for more polo-style wear.

While piles of pandemic clothes are going to churches, donation boxes, and online thrift and resale sites, some people are keeping them in the family.

Samantina Zeon, like many, has gained weight during the pandemic. She has plenty of great clothes she can no longer fit into, so she plans to send the stylish ones to a cousin in Haiti in a 77-gallon blue barrel.

“It’s something many people that have families in different countries do. I have done it before to send food,” said the 31-year-old Zeon, in Queens, New York. “She plans on reselling them in her neighborhood for extra cash.”

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Associated Press retail writer Anne D’Innocenzio in New York contributed to this report.

BART uses grazing goats to reduce fire danger

BY MELISSA JORDAN,
BART

As the Bay Area endures another hot, dry summer, BART is using goats to graze and cut firebreaks on its right-of-way property, which reduces reliance on fossil-fuel-powered equipment, decreases the chance of sparking fires, and increases safety for workers.

"This is the smartest way for us to deal with the vegetation in these areas," said Josh Soltero, an irrigation/grounds worker in BART’s grounds maintenance department who was keeping an eye on some 700 goats grazing near Fremont Station on a recent hot June day.

The Spanish-Boer cross goats, contracted from a herding business, chomped away at the dry brush on a steep hillside, the type of terrain that can be hazardous to human groundskeepers using mowers, weed whackers and other power tools.

"Mowers can spark fires on this kind of brush that we see in a drought," Soltero said, waving his hand to gesture at the expanse of scraggly, thorny brown hills.

"The goats can get into places we can't. They save a lot of shoulders and backs." Indeed, following the goats up the hill for photos was challenging for two-legged observers even without heavy equipment.

Another bonus is appreciation from many neighbors in nearby residential areas, who prefer the occasional bleat of a goat to the roar of a power mower. "They come up and tell us they're so happy we are using goats," Soltero said, and as if on cue, a woman in a sun hat walking by the side of the field, smiled and gave a thumbs-up.

BART provides water for the goats, a herd of which can drink 300-plus gallons a day and can clear well over an acre of vegetation a day. They've been contracted for the past several years and their work has been a step toward BART’s overall sustainability goals, said Glen Eddy, Assistant Superintendent of Ways and Facilities. Eddy said goats are contracted usually in May-June and September-October, depending on conditions, and they graze about 35 acres out



700-goat herd grazes on BART property in Fremont under the watch of herder Zenobio Ordonez.

of more than 100 total acres of right-of-way property.

The contractor that BART uses is Living Systems Land Management, a Coalinga-based family business owned and operated by Michael and Jan Canady. "We put the goats in a small area and do what we call a mob graze," Jan Canady said. "With a power weed eater, you're just cutting it down, but you have to worry about erosion, because the root is still there. The goats,

they're constantly eating wherever they're needed, everything, until you move them somewhere else."

In Fremont, the goats had started their day on one parcel behind a fence until it was nearly bare. Some of them stood on their hind legs to nibble green leaves overhanging one side of the property (or to be handed leaves as a treat from their visitors).

At each location, a goat herder contracted by the Canadys stays with the goats 24/7 to move them along to their next stop. On this day, herder Zenobio Ordonez, a Peruvian national, called out to the goats as he opened a fence and they stampeded into the new grazing spot.

"Goats are active and explorative eaters, often climbing trees in pursuit of food and nutrition," Jared A. Lewis, Natural Resource Program Manager/ Outreach Director for Living Systems, wrote on the company's website. "This propensity towards variety coupled with an uncanny ability to consume unlikely feedstuffs such as low-lying branches, small trees, grasses, weeds, chaparral, shrubs and a panoply of fire-hazardous exotic and invasive species, creates the unlikely but nonetheless perfectly suited fire-fighting tool in the goat."

Ordonez and others of the Canadys' contracted herders are legally working in the United States on H-2A temporary agricultural worker visas. Brave goatherders and intrepid goats have been credited with creating firebreaks that saved multiple homes in recent years' devastating fire seasons, from Santa Rosa to the north to Agoura Hills in the Santa Monica Mountains to the south.

Contrary to popular culture, goats don't really eat tin cans, Canaday said, but they're intelligent, playful creatures who instinctively know which plants they need to eat. "The goats like to cavort, they jump and twist," she said. True to form in Fremont, some of the feisty ones locked horns to head butt one another, and nosed around the BART worker who offered them a green leaf. Ordonez doesn't give the goats names or treat them as pets; they are livestock and hard workers who get the job done, he said.

The goats also leave behind natural compost as they graze, further enriching the soil quality. "Using goats at BART is really a win-win situation," Eddy said.



The goats are Spanish-Boer cross, a curious, intelligent and voracious breed.

‘Orange skies’: Biden raising federal pay to fight wildfires

BY MATTHEW DALY
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ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Biden administration said Wednesday it is hiring more federal firefighters – and immediately raising their pay – as officials ramp up response efforts in the face of a severe drought that is setting the stage for another destructive summer of intense wildfires across the West.

President Joe Biden announced the moves during a virtual meeting with governors from Western states and as a huge swath of the Pacific Northwest endures one of the worst heat waves in recent memory. Temperatures in Portland, Oregon, soared to a record 116 degrees Fahrenheit on Monday, a fact Biden cited as “a wake-up call to the rest of the public” about the realities of climate change.

“The truth is we're playing catch-up” on preparing for extreme heat and wildfires, Biden said, calling federal efforts “under-resourced” compared with the deadly threat posed by climate change and extreme drought.

“That's going to change and we have to do it,” Biden told the governors. “We can’t cut corners when it comes to managing our wildfires or supporting our firefighters. Right now we have to act and act fast.”

Recalling horrific scenes from wildfires in California and other states last year, Biden said, “Orange skies look like end-of-days smoke and ash.”

Biden's plan would ensure that no one fighting wildland fires is making less than \$15 per hour and would add or convert to full-time nearly 1,000 firefighters across a host of agencies.

“Because of climate change, wildland firefighting is no longer a seasonal endeavor,” the White House said in a statement. “With fire seasons turning into fire years, it is imperative to have a year-round workforce that is available to respond at any time, that is supported and equitably compensated and is available to undertake preventive actions” such as cutting down small trees and brush that serve as fuel to fires that are increasing in size and intensity.

Western states have been parched by severe drought and record heat that has burned more than 2,300 square miles (5,900 square kilometers) this year. That's ahead of the pace in 2020, which saw a near-record 15,000 square miles (40,000 square kilometers) burned, killing dozens of people and destroying more than 17,000 homes and other structures.

“Climate change is driving a dangerous confluence of extreme heat and prolonged drought,” Biden said. “We’re seeing wildfires of greater intensity that move with more speed.”

Biden has expressed dismay at the starting pay for federal firefighters, which is significantly lower than at many local and state fire agencies. Pay for new federal firefighters typically starts at \$11 per hour to \$14 per hour

and they are overtime eligible, according to the Interior Department.

The pay raise will come in the form of retention incentives and by providing additional bonuses to those working on the front lines. More experienced permanent firefighters could also be eligible for a 10% retention incentive. Temporary firefighters will be eligible to receive some incentive pay under the plan.

Wednesday's meeting included eight Western governors, including California Gov. Gavin Newsom and Oregon Gov. Kate Brown. Both states are facing extreme drought and expect record-breaking fires.

Newsom, a Democrat, said he was pleased to be working with the White House, rather than as “sparring partners,” as he described his state's relationship with the Trump administration. “We were debating raking policies” in forests, Newsom said, referring to comments by then-President Donald Trump that the state should “rake” its forests to reduce the risk of wildfires.

With climate change, the wildfire seasons are only to get worse, Newsom and other governors said. “The hots are getting hotter, the dries are getting drier,” Newsom said.

Three Republican governors, Greg Gianforte of Montana, Brad Little of Idaho and Doug Ducey of Arizona, said they were disappointed not to be invited to the White House meeting, which

included six Democrats and two Republicans.

“It is critical to engage governors fully and directly to have a productive discussion about how the federal government can improve its wildfire response and prevention efforts,” Gianforte and Little wrote in a letter to Biden.

A White House spokesman said the invited governors represented “a cross-section of states impacted by wildfires” and said Biden will continue to work with governors from both parties on the issue.

The meeting with the governors came as the White House released a memo confirming its commitment to a clean energy standard, tax credits and 500,000 charging stations for electric vehicles, among other climate goals as officials pursue a two-track approach on infrastructure.

A memo by climate adviser Gina McCarthy and White House senior adviser Anita Dunn also pledges at least \$10 billion to conserve and restore public lands and waters, address environmental injustice and create a Civilian Climate Corps to complete projects related to climate change and clean energy.

The memo responds to criticism from environmental groups and other progressives who are frustrated that many climate-related initiatives were cut out of a bipartisan infrastructure plan announced last week.

“We know more work needs to be done, which is why President Biden will continue championing”

the nearly \$1 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill and a separate, larger plan Biden and fellow Democrats aim to approve along party lines, the memo said.

On wildfires, administration officials have pledged to work with Congress to find a permanent fix to increase firefighter pay and convert more seasonal wildland firefighters to year-round workers.

The U.S. Forest Service and Interior Department combine to employ about 15,000 firefighters. Roughly 70% are full-time and 30% are seasonal. Those figures used to be reversed, but have changed as fire seasons have grown longer and more severe.

Oregon Sen. Ron Wyden, a Democrat who has pushed the administration to ramp up its wildfire response, said Congress “can and should bolster these efforts” with legislation to lift a cap on overtime pay, create a permanent firefighting workforce and expand work to remove hazardous fuels to lessen fire risk.

“The ongoing infrastructure debate in Congress gives us an essential chance to get this and other wildfire prevention efforts done,” Wyden said.

Associated Press writers Keith Ridler in Boise, Idaho, and Matthew Brown in Billings, Montana, contributed to this report.

OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

Energy

result is often highly visible and, without technical detail... easily understood. If you turn on a light in your house, the process of providing energy to do so may be the result of a complex series of actions, but the end result is observable light energy.

Just as the end result of energy utilization is, at times, the culmination of a series of events, human action and reaction can also follow the same pattern. When problems, issues and events become visible to the general public, they are usually the result of a set of actions over time. In local politics, for instance, decisions of city councilmembers are often preceded by input from staff and residents who have knowledge, interest and experience with the subject. Although timeframes can vary from weeks, months or years, when seen from an outside observer's reference, results may appear to be instantaneous. If the process is understood, residents actually have opportunities to affect the outcome through comments to committees, commissions and boards, providing valuable insight and input prior to final actions.

In many cases, staff recommendations are a deciding factor since councilmembers often rely on their factfinding and expertise to narrow personal gaps in knowledge of a particular subject. Such recommendations are typically the result of education, fact-finding research, and, hard to ignore internal bias. Missing too often is widespread community input at the foundational level. Often resident committees, boards and commissions operate within the limited framework of their own experience, serving without much fanfare, recognition or assistance from fellow residents. Although they

provide valuable information and advice, additional viewpoints, voices and discussion should and could be a welcome addition to their deliberations.

In the context of energy, those involved at elected, staff and appointed levels of government represent a kinetic force of society. However, there is also a vast reserve of potential energy within the population at large. When that energy is expended near of at the end of a deliberative process, many prior, small decisions have predetermined a probable action. If such energy is used near the beginning of a decision-making process to direct and shape the final outcome, it can be much more effective.

Cities and governmental organizations are similar in many respects. In order to function as efficiently as possible, tasks are delegated to small groups that bear responsibility for discovery and recommendations. It is here that any resident can be effective and convert their personal potential energy to kinetic action. Want to know how to do it? Look at your city's General Plan or talk to a councilmember, city clerk or other official and ask about the organizational structure. Find out how early can you enter the process. As an interested observer, you can be heard and make a difference.

You have the potential... be kinetic!

William Marshak
PUBLISHER

There are two primary forms of energy: "potential" and "kinetic." As a term for the ability to perform work, kinetic relates to action and movement while potential describes stored energy that, under a particular set of circumstances, can be transformed into kinetic. The sources and category of energy are usually defined by how they manifest: mechanical, chemical, thermal, electrical, magnetic, nuclear, elastic and gravitational.

Technology at all levels, whether rudimentary or sophisticated, relies on energy to make things happen. At the root of energy usefulness for humans lies interaction and input. In order to adapt natural, primal energy to our needs, wants and desires, it is often manipulated, directed and controlled by a cadre of scientists, technicians, builders and skilled artisans. Without that input, energy may be plentiful and available, but dissipate without significant civic and societal benefit.

The relationship between people harnessing energy and those who receive its benefits may be complex, but the end

Mask mandate returns for California lawmakers, staff

BY ADAM BEAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

At least nine people who work at the California state Capitol tested positive for the coronavirus in early July, including four who are fully vaccinated, triggering a return of the mask mandate for lawmakers and staff.

When the Capitol reopened last month, masks were still required in public places like hallways, committee rooms and legislative chambers. But fully vaccinated lawmakers and staff were allowed to remove their masks while working in their offices.

That changed this week following the outbreak. The new directive applies not just to the Capitol, but also the Legislative

Office Building and lawmakers' district offices. Unvaccinated lawmakers and staff must also be tested twice per week, according to memos from the state Assembly and Senate. It appears the outbreak is among employees of the state Assembly, although no official has confirmed all nine cases occurred among those workers.

Debra Gravert, the Assembly's chief administrative officer, said in a memo that seven cases were of people who worked in the same office. Secretary of the Senate Erika Contreras said that chamber doesn't have any "current cases."

Last month, with infection rates at record lows, Gov. Gavin Newsom lifted nearly all of the state's coronavirus restrictions. But recently, public health officials have warned that the especially

contagious delta variant of the coronavirus has spread rapidly among the unvaccinated population, causing a rise in new cases and hospitalizations.

Los Angeles County public health officials have urged people to resume wearing masks indoors regardless of their vaccination status. Newsom is not now considering a return of a statewide mask mandate or other restrictions. "Well, if we continue to get people vaccinated that will be unnecessary," he said. "This is the call to anyone who hasn't been vaccinated: Get vaccinated. What more evidence do you need?"

Anyone 12 and older is eligible for the vaccine. So far, about 70% of that population in California has received at least one dose.

At the Capitol, four of the nine cases were fully vaccinated people, a much higher percentage of so-called breakthrough cases than the tiny number statewide.

Between Jan. 1 and June 30, the state identified 8,699 coronavirus cases among people who are fully vaccinated. That represents 0.043% of the more than 20 million who have received the vaccine. "Fully vaccinated" means a person is at least two weeks removed from their final dose of the vaccine.

Of those breakthrough cases, at least 652 people were hospitalized -- although the Department of Public Health said it was missing hospitalization data in about half the cases. Another 71 people who had been fully vaccinated died, but state health officials said they did not know if the coronavirus was the primary cause of death.

"While COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective, some cases are still expected in persons who have been vaccinated, as no vaccine is 100% effective," the Department of Public Health wrote on its website.

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Newark City Council

July 8, 2021

Presentations:

- Commending Basketball Coach Craig Ashmore, Newark Memorial High School coach since 1990 who will retire from coaching but continue to teach physical education classes.
- Presentation of the Southern Alameda County Integrated Rail Analysis including 2040 passenger rail vision, integrated statewide network, schedules and an East Bay Rail Hub in Southern Alameda County. Entering a detailed planning and initial project development phase focused on a Union City hub location and other options. This phase is planned to be completed by December 2022.

Consent Calendar:

- Accept the Measure GG Transaction and Use Tax Oversight

Committee Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

- Approve Contractual Services Agreement with Francisco & Associates, Inc. for Professional Services for Lindsay Tract and Birch Street Area Improvement Districts, Project 1238
- Authorize Amendments to (1) the Employee Classification Plan, to add one new classification entitled Environmental Services Manager; (2) the City Officials and Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group Compensation and Benefit Plan, to add two new classifications entitled Environmental Services Manager and Human Resources Manager and an amendment to the City's Salary Schedule; and (3) the 2020-2022 Biennial Budget and Capital Improvement Plan, to add one Associate Civil Engineer, one Human Resources Manager, one Environmental Services Manager, and one Senior Planner.
- Approve an amendment to the Compensation and Benefit

Plans for City Officials and the Management, Supervisory, and Professional Employee Group.

Items Removed from Consent:

- Removed by Hannon: Approve the Final Map and Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Tract 8340 – Muse Court Condominiums (Merida Place, LLC), a single lot, 14-unit condominium residential subdivision at 36731 Sycamore Street. Councilmember Hannon expressed concern about extension and review process in light of changed circumstances.
- Removed by Hannon: Authorize an agreement with the County of Alameda for the acquisition and installation of bi-directional amplifier equipment in the new Civic Center buildings.

Other Business:

- Presentation by Lt. Macias, Newark PD on the Zonehaven Evacuation Management Platform (EMP), a web-based application

to facilitate evacuation zones through coordination of fire, law enforcement, the Office of Emergency Services and appropriate notifications in the event of an emergency. Alert can be set up through: ac alert at the acgov.org website. Search for zones available at community.zonehaven.com

City Council Matters:

- Continuing illegal fireworks problems.
- Limited concert series will be announced soon.
- Recognize Finance Director Lee, City Clerk Harrington and Measure GG Oversight Committee for their work to prepare an annual report.

Mayor Alan Nagy	Aye
Vice Mayor Mike Bucci	Aye
Luis Freitas	Aye
Sucy Collazo	Aye
Michael Hannon	Aye

California delays considering bill for supervised drug sites

ASSOCIATED PRESS

California lawmakers will wait until next year to continue considering a bill that would give opioid users a place to inject drugs in supervised settings, the bill's author said.

State Sen. Scott Wiener, a Democrat from San Francisco, said he was told the Assembly Health Committee will delay a hearing on his bill until January. The measure would allow Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco and Los Angeles County to start programs giving people a place to inject drugs while trained staff are available to help if they suffer accidental overdoses. “Safe consumption sites are a proven strategy to save lives and help people into recovery," Wiener said. Currently

the sites are illegal in the United States, but legal in Canada.

Wiener's bill cleared the Senate in April with the minimum number of votes needed for passage there. The Senate Republican Caucus said in a statement at the time that the bill would “establish taxpayer-staffed and funded drug dens.” The proposal is opposed by some law enforcement groups, but Wiener said in a statement that it “is very much alive, albeit delayed.”

Similar bills authorizing injection sites have passed both chambers of the Legislature within the last five years, and such bills have repeatedly passed the Assembly Health Committee during that time, Wiener said. Former Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown in 2018 vetoed a bill that

would have allowed San Francisco to offer injection sites.

Wiener noted he was disappointed in another delay at a time when he said San Francisco and other cities are experiencing record overdose deaths. His bill would require workers at the centers to try to get users into drug treatment programs or refer them to medical or mental health care or social services programs.

The former Trump administration sued to block a proposed injection site in Philadelphia, and a federal appeals court sided with the government earlier this year. Supporters have appealed and hope President Joe Biden's administration will drop the lawsuit.

Fremont City Council

July 6, 2021

Consent Calendar:

- Approve partnership with East Bay Community Energy to pursue solar and battery storage systems on municipal facilities.

Ceremonial Items:

- Proclaim Parks & Recreation Month. Fremont Community Services Director Suzanne Wolf and Lucy Hernandez of Washington Hospital - #Active Fremont, a collaboration of City of Fremont, Washington Hospital and East Bay Regional Park Foundation - accepted the proclamation.

Public Communications:

- Mission Peak top-rated visitor attraction in Fremont. What is current status?

Scheduled Items:

- Public Hearing to adopt a resolution to amend the Master Fee Schedule to implement changes to conform to CalEPA's Certified Unified Program (CUPA) fees.
- Public Hearing on the restructure, reassessment, and levy of the annual assessment for Landscaping Assessment District 88. PASSED: 5-0-2 (Recuse, Mei, Salwan)
- Public Hearing to add the Rodrigues Farmhouse, Pumphouse, and Tankhouse to the Fremont Register of Historic Resources and approve a Mills Act

Historic Preservation Contract for the Rodrigues Farmhouse property at 41948 Mission Boulevard.

- Public Hearing to consider amendments to Fremont Municipal Code Title 18 (Planning and Zoning), Chapter 18.47 (Downtown District) to modify the use table for the Downtown (D) District. Amend to reduce cap of educational/ medical/other uses on Capitol/ Fremont corridor to 20% rather than 40% and incentivize restaurant occupancy.

Council Communications:

- Councilmember Kassan referral: Direct staff to review ordinances of other cities that promote urban agriculture and the keeping of livestock in residentially zoned areas and to come back

to council with a proposed amendment to Fremont's Animal Ordinance allowing the keeping of two goats and any other amendments deemed consistent with the goal to encourage urban agriculture.

- Councilmember Cox asked for recognition of Juneteenth, celebrated on or near June 19 as a city holiday.

Mayor Lily Mei	Aye, 1 recusal
Vice Mayor Yang Shao, District 4	Aye
Teresa Keng, District 1	Aye
Rick Jones, District 2	Aye
Jenny Kassan, District 3	Aye
Raj Salwan, District 5	Aye, 1 recusal
Teresa Cox, District 6	Aye

College joins national vaccination program

SUBMITTED BY KIMBERLY HAWKINS

Cal State East Bay in Hayward has joined the White House's COVID-19 College Vaccination Challenge, urging more young Americans to get vaccinated.

The White House and U.S. Department of Education launched this effort in June as a way to reach younger Americans who are lagging behind in COVID-19 vaccination rates. Participating colleges are asked to commit to three key actions to help get their campus communities vaccinated: engaging every student, faculty and staff member; organizing their college communities, and delivering vaccine access for all.

“All vaccines available in the U.S. have been shown to be tremendously safe, and have a high degree of effectiveness in preventing disease and death related to COVID-19, even from COVID-19 variants,” said Department of Public Health Chair Arnab Mukherjea. “Adverse

effects associated with any of the three vaccines are low, and the likelihood of disease, disability or death -- including long-term health consequences for those who are young and/or healthy -- from a COVID-19 infection is much greater.”

On April 22, the California State University System announced that it will require faculty, staff and students who access campus facilities this fall to be immunized against COVID-19. The requirement will be conditional upon full approval of one or more vaccines by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Cal State East Bay has resources on its websites for where students, staff and faculty can be vaccinated.

“Vaccination not only protects the health of the vaccinated individual but also helps prevent transmission to others who may not be able to be vaccinated, such as individuals under 12 or the immunocompromised,” Mukherjea said.

San Leandro City Council

July 6, 2021

Public Comments:

- Appreciation of Interim Police Chief Susan Manheimer's accessibility to the public and her move to bolster community policing.
- Suggestions for the City Council to consider hybrid in-person and virtual meetings.

Presentations:

- Multi-Family Development Standards project update
- New city website project update

Action Items

- Motion to amend both the urgency ordinance and regular ordinance related to grocery workers hazard pay so that they terminate on July 29, 2021. Adopted 6-0 with Mayor Cutter recusing, citing a conflict of interest.
- Resolution authorizing a Consulting Services Agreement with Dixon Resources Unlimited for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for On-Call Parking Management Support Services.

- Resolution ordering the levy and collection of assessments within the Heron Bay Maintenance Assessment District and accept the engineer's report for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 for the Heron Bay Maintenance Assessment District. Adopted 6-0 with Councilmember Simon recusing.
- Resolution affirming the Board of Zoning Adjustments decision to approve a conditional use permit, parking exception and site plan review for the Callan & East 14th Street Project application and denying the appeals by East Bay Residents for Responsible Development and Laborers International Union of North America, Local 304. Adopted 4-2 with Councilmembers Aguilar and Simon voting no and Councilmember Azevedo recusing, citing a conflict of interest.

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter	Aye, 1 Recusal
Pete Ballew	Aye
Vice Mayor Victor Aguilar	Aye, 1 No
Bryan Azevedo	Aye, 1 Recusal
Fred Simon	Aye, 1 No, 1 Recusal
Deborah Cox	Aye
Corina Lopez	Aye

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Fremont’s Trail Strategy Plan

Fremont’s new Trail Strategy Plan provides the basis for new bicycle and pedestrian trails that will offer time in nature and allow some to commute to work. Separated trails are safer for pedestrians and cyclists than having bike lanes on city streets; they also reduce air pollution and greenhouse gases. You can find the plan at: <https://www.fremont.gov/3551/Trails-Strategy-Plan>

We applaud the city for considering the Hetch Hetchy, AWCD and PG&E easements that traverse the city. These easements could connect neighborhoods, parks, schools, and businesses.

Of less benefit, the Greenway Trail is proposed to run on major streets, like Mission Blvd between Union City and Central Park and Osgood Road south of the planned Irvington BART station. The plan overlooks the 1.7-mile UPRR easement between Alameda Creek (Vallejo Mill) and Paseo Padre Parkway (Central Park). If the city declined to purchase the easement in 2018 because of the presence of arsenic, benzene and other carcinogens, then UPRR should be directed to clean it up. The communities of Vallejo Mills and Kimber-Gomes should not have to live with contamination that can impact public health. Capping the rail bed with asphalt could protect our aquifer, as was done for the Iron Horse Trail between Pleasanton and Concord.

Off-street parking is not addressed in the trail plan, but

parking is a major reason why people don’t use our parks. The city has issued thousands of parking tickets to visitors near Regional Parks, which is contrary to public health and fiscally unsound. Parking is needed in the Vallejo Mills neighborhood for the Morrison Canyon Trail, Niles Canyon Trail, Alameda Creek Trail and possibly the Greenway Trail. Parking is also needed at Mission Peak’s Stanford entrance, to ameliorate the animosity endemic in the neighborhood. The Community Services, Transportation and Police Departments have spent thousands of hours attempting restrict public access through parking tickets.

Fremont needs more trails to connect its parks and schools. The Trail Strategy Plan map omits 2,000 acres that are owned by the city near Mission Peak and Rancho Higuera Historical Park. A Lower Foothill trail would link Ohlone College to Rancho Higuera, and connect the Sabercat Trail to the south section of the Hetch Hetchy Trail.

We thank the city for assembling the Trail Strategy Plan, and ask residents and politicians to support the plan via email to Rene Dalton (City of Fremont Transportation Engineer) rdalton@fremont.gov.

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As virus-era attacks on Asians rise, past victims look back

BY TERRY TANG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nearly a year after they were almost stabbed to death inside a Midland, Texas, Sam’s Club, Bawi Cung and his two sons all have visible scars.

It’s the unseen ones though that are harder to get over. Cung can’t walk through any store without constantly looking in all directions. His 6-year-old son, who now can’t move one eyebrow, is afraid to sleep alone.

On a Saturday evening in March, when COVID-19 panic shopping gripped the nation, Cung was in search of rice at a cheaper price. The family was in the Sam’s Club meat section when Cung suddenly felt a punch to the back of his head. A man he didn’t know then slashed his face with a knife. The assailant left but soon returned to stab the boys. He wounded the 3-year-old in the back and slashed the 6-year-old from his right eye to a couple of inches past his right ear.

The grisly encounter brought home the dangerous climate Asian Americans have faced since the coronavirus entered the U.S., with racially motivated harassment and assaults occurring from coast to coast.

Now, just over a year and thousands of incidents later, some of the early victims find moving forward has been difficult or, at best, bittersweet. A recent wave of attacks on elderly Asian Americans - including the death of an 84-year-old San Francisco man - has fueled worries that hostilities have only worsened.

In Cung’s case, the man responsible for the attack believed the Myanmar man and his children were Chinese and

spreading the virus, according to the FBI.

Cung said he’s not sure what would have happened had a Sam’s Club employee, Zach Owen, not intervened.

“Maybe I might kill him. Maybe he might kill all of my family. I don’t know,” Cung said. “God protected my family, God sent Zach to protect my family right there at the right time.”

Owen, who was stabbed in the leg and deeply cut in his right palm, and an off-duty Border Patrol agent detained the suspect, Jose Gomez, 19.

Verbal attacks have also made a lasting mark.

In April, a confrontation in a Richmond, California, park left an irrevocable impact not just on Kelly Yang, 36, but her children. She was forced to discuss anti-Asian racism with her son, 10, and daughter, 7 - a talk she didn’t think would happen for a few more years. An elderly white couple, upset over her unleashed dog, called Yang, who is Chinese American, an “Oriental” and said the words many Asian Americans dread: “Go back where you came from.”

Her children thought the couple meant for them to go home. Torn, Yang eventually explained they meant “for us to go back to Asia.”

“It means that we’re not welcome here.”

Her son burst into tears.

Yang believes the couple felt emboldened by then-President Donald Trump’s use of racially charged terms like “Chinese virus.” She applauded President Joe Biden’s recent executive order condemning anti-Asian xenophobia as a good start.

But Yang is afraid a lot of non-Asians have already shrugged off the issue as though it ceased when Trump’s presidency did.

“I don’t know what can be done,” said Yang, who writes young adult novels and plans to weave her experience into her next book. “But I do know talking about it, acknowledging it, remembering - that’s what we do with wars - we have to remember what happened.”

Douglas Kim, 42, chef and owner of Jeju Noodle Bar in New York City, is certain COVID-19-fueled racism was behind the April vandalizing of his Michelin-starred, Korean restaurant. Someone used a Sharpie to scrawl on the winter vestibule “Stop eating dogs,” referring to a stereotype about Asian cuisines. Ultimately, Kim decided not to report it.

“At the time it pissed me off, but I have more important things to worry about,” Kim said. “Maintaining a business is more important.”

He shared a picture of the graffiti on Instagram to call attention to hate crimes. There was a groundswell of support, but he feels like much of it has faded.

Yet, Kim is hopeful fewer people are stereotyping Asian Americans as foreigners who don’t belong in the U.S.

“I think it’s all about education,” Kim said. “If you raise your children that way, they’re gonna learn that way. I think things are changing but it’s not 100% yet. That’s why somebody obviously wrote that on our door.”

More than 3,000 incidents have been reported to Stop AAPI Hate, a California-based reporting center for Asian American Pacific

Islanders, and its partner advocacy groups, since mid-March 2020. What’s frustrating is that the encounters don’t often rise to the legal definition of a hate crime.

Still, police in several major cities saw a sharp uptick in Asian-targeted hate crimes between 2019 and 2020, according to data collected by the Center for the Study of Hate & Extremism, California State University, San Bernardino. New York City went from three incidents to 27, Los Angeles from seven to 15, and Denver had three incidents in 2020 - the first reported there in six years.

A rash of crimes victimizing elderly Asian Americans in the past two months has renewed outcry for more attention from politicians and the media. On Wednesday, California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed off on legislation allocating \$1.4 million to Stop AAPI Hate and the UCLA Asian American Studies Center. The funding will go toward community resources and further tracking of anti-Asian hate incidents.

Local officials and citizens have also taken notice. Initiatives like increased police presence, volunteer patrols and special crime hotlines are coming to fruition. Big-name brands like the Golden State Warriors and Apple, based in the Bay Area, have promised to donate to the cause.

Cynthia Choi, of Stop AAPI Hate, wishes news cycles would focus not just on the latest crimes but the solutions being discussed. Policing and prosecution aren’t necessarily the answers, she said. COVID-19 vitriol is rooted in more than a century of anti-Chinese and anti-immigrant attitudes. She and other advocates

think more investment in education and community resources could help get at those root causes. Anti-Asian xenophobia should be part of the ongoing conversations on racial reckoning, Choi added.

“Our work to address anti-Asian racism is inextricably tied to fighting anti-Black racism,” Choi said. “That’s gonna take all of us, it’s gonna take public education efforts, it’s gonna take racial solidarity efforts that really bring our communities together.”

Before immigrating to the U.S. six years ago, Cung, the Texas hate crime survivor, had never encountered racism. Now, it’s difficult for him to hear stories about anti-Asian American violence. Initially after the attack, Cung wrestled with how Gomez tried to kill him simply because of how he looked. Now, he prays for his attacker.

As for what should happen to Gomez, who remains jailed on three counts of attempted capital murder, Cung said that’s up to the courts.

“I can forgive him, but we cannot accept racism or that kind of terrorist attack,” said Cung, who received more than \$20,000 in online donations.

One thing he is looking ahead to - life as a newly naturalized U.S. citizen in a country where “they respect people.” Cung remains unbothered that he may not fit some people’s idea of what America looks like.

“Maybe personally they have racism,” Cung said. “I don’t care. I’m proud of being Asian and Asian American.”

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Nomination period opens for California gubernatorial recall election

SUBMITTED BY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

The nomination period opens on July 9 at 8:00 a.m. for candidates participating in the September 14, 2021, California Gubernatorial Recall Election. The nomination period closes on Friday, July 16 at 5:00 p.m.

The County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters’ office is providing candidates with online support and options for issuing and filing nomination documents during the nomination period. The purpose of the following options is to ensure candidates and county elections officials have a healthy and safe environment during the candidate nomination period.

“There is a strict filing deadline,” said Shannon Bushey, Registrar of Voters. “Candidates

should file their nomination papers as early as possible so that any incorrect or incomplete forms may be corrected.”

An Election Candidate Guide is available to assist those running for office, with valuable information pertaining to qualifications for office, terms of office, procedures, fees, forms, and deadline dates. The Candidate Guide is available at no cost and may be picked up from the Registrar of Voters’ Office or downloaded from the Registrar of Voters’ website, www.sccvote.org/candidatesand-measures information, under the Candidates & Measures tab.

For more information, contact the Registrar of Voters’ Office at (408) 299-VOTE (8683) or toll-free at (866) 430-VOTE (8683), or visit www.sccvote.org.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Open Letter to Pope Francis

Dear Pope Francis,

Recently, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops had a meeting. One of the outcomes was to deny our President, Joe Biden; and Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the U.S. House, the right to receive Holy Communion. They do not agree with abortion. They believe in the right of a woman for self-determination in these matters. President Biden has attended mass on a daily basis for years. The Bishops also voted to ban Women’s Right to Choose, and same sex marriages by a vote of 168 to 55, with 6 abstentions, creating more division in our church. This is contrary to your views/teachings on compassion for our fellow men.

These are the same Bishops that allowed themselves and their priests to be pedophiles. They are destroying the Catholic Church in the United States and causing thousands to quit practicing their Catholic faith. They are the same Bishops that live in palaces while doing nothing for the poor and homeless in the U.S. We are fed up with their hypocrisy. They are supposed to be good shepherds but are driving millions of Catholics to join other faiths or to quit believing in the one holy and apostolic Catholic Church. The Bishops are obsessed with the right of women to have control of their own bodies, and homosexuality.

Many Bishops have embraced our former President Donald Trump and his party. There is

separation of Church and State, yet they lobbied for Trump. Now the Bishops have turned their energy toward President Biden, a life-long, staunch Catholic. President Biden does not believe in indiscriminate abortion. He says he would not make that decision for another human being. Clearly in cases of the possible death of the mother, rape, or incest this decision should be left to the mother. The Bishops do not have a clue how their flock suffers because of their decisions. They need to focus on feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and tending to those imprisoned.

Our Bishops are mostly white men in their 70 – 80’s. They do not have a clue how to bring Catholics back to the Church. They are removed from their people. The bureaucracy is out of control. In its current state, the focus of the Catholic Church, as defined by the Bishops’ statements is not inclusive or relevant to today’s Catholics in the U.S. We are badly in need of priests in our parishes. Why is there no married clergy as in other churches? Why not have women priests? Many former priests left to marry and raise families. They have valuable training and skills that would benefit today’s Catholic Church. But they have been ignored.

You have the power to direct and change the current direction of our Bishops’ focus which would bring U.S. Catholics back to the Church. May the Blessed Trinity and Mary our Mother bless you and guide you in your endeavors to spread the love of Jesus to all peoples.

With God’s Blessing,
Robert J. Hennessy
Fremont

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Fate of rodeo animals

Animals should not be injured or killed for entertainment and that is what rodeo is. It bears no resemblance to ranching, I grew up on a cattle ranch in North Dakota and spent eight years as a ranch veterinarian there. My ranch clients did not ride bulls, speed rope calves, or make their expensive horses buck. Rodeo is not American “tradition.”

As a former bareback bronc rider, pathologist, and large animal veterinarian, I have both the experience and autopsy proof that rodeos injure and kill animals. Dr. Robert Bay from Colorado autopsied roping calves and found hemorrhages, torn muscles, torn ligaments, damage to the trachea,

damage to the throat, and damage to the thyroid. These calves never get a chance to heal before they are used again.

Meat inspectors processing rodeo animals found broken bones, ruptured internal organs, massive amounts of blood in the abdomen from ruptured blood vessels, and damage to the ligamentum nuchae that holds the neck to the rest of the spinal column.

As a former criminal lawyer, children that are exposed to and participate in animal abuse often grow up to abuse humans. I have seen children cry at rodeos when the calves are roped and slammed to the ground. It is time for this archaic rodeo "entertainment" to end.

Peggy W Larson
Williston, Vermont (formerly lived in Sacramento)

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New police chief named in San Leandro

SUBMITTED BY
PAUL SANFTNER

After a months-long nationwide search, San Leandro officials have chosen Abdul Pridgen to serve as the city's next police chief effective September 12. The appointment, made by City Manager Fran Robustelli, was announced July 6. Meanwhile, Chief Susan Manheimer will continue her interim service until Pridgen comes aboard.

Pridgen brings 29-years of law enforcement experience to San Leandro. Most recently he was Police Chief in of the City of Seaside in Monterey County. Before that, he spent 26 years with the City of Fort Worth, Texas, Police Department where he attained the highest rank of Assistant Chief of Police.

"Chief Pridgen is a well-respected law enforcement veteran, who is an advocate for diversity, inclusion, and a



Abdul Pridgen
Credit: San Leandro
Police Department

community builder," Robustelli said. "Chief Pridgen will provide immediate attention to pressing needs, such as transparency, investment into personnel, and implementing police oversight for the department."

Pridgen, who is current President of the California Police Chiefs Association, is looking forward to joining the San Leandro team. "It is an honor to be gifted the chance to serve the dedicated men and women of the San Leandro Police Department and the rich, diverse group of San Leandrans," Pridgen said. "Our profession faces many challenges, but we have a tremendous opportunity to set an example for progressive, procedurally just, transparent, accountable, and community-focused policing. I look forward to working closely with all of our internal and external stakeholders to make the San Leandro Police Department a pioneering model of contemporary policing for others to emulate."

Pridgen received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Dallas Baptist University and a Master of Public Administration from Tarleton State University. In addition, he received training from the Southern Police Institute, FBI National Academy, FBI National Executive Institute, and Harvard University Kennedy School of Government.

California deploys firefighting personnel to Oregon



SUBMITTED BY
GOVERNOR'S PRESS OFFICE

Taking action to protect communities endangered by the Bootleg Fire in Oregon, Governor Gavin Newsom announced July 9th that the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) has deployed firefighting equipment and personnel to the state through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC).

Two strike teams consisting of Type 3 and Type 6 engines from Fremont, Oakland, Hayward, Alameda County, South San Francisco, San Bruno, the Central Fire District, San Mateo and Kentfield are providing assistance on the ground in Klamath County, Oregon. Type 3 and Type 6 engines are the most-used engines for wildland urban interface fires and are known for their off-road and maneuverability capabilities.

As of July 9, the Bootleg Fire has burned more than 38,000 acres, doubling the amount from the previous day, in the Fremont-Winema National Forest and private lands near the town of Sprague River. Cal OES continues to monitor operations in Oregon and requests for additional EMAC assistance. Oregon has offered firefighting resources and assets to California over the years on numerous wildfires through the compact.

EMAC, which includes the participation of all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands, is a nationally recognized mutual-aid system that provides the foundation for states to request and send resources across their borders when impacted by a disaster.

Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
GENEVA BOSQUES,
FREMONT PD

Saturday, June 26

- At about 9:30 p.m. Fremont Police and Fremont Fire personnel responded to a collision report involving a vehicle and a pedestrian on Decoto Road, west of Paseo Padre Parkway. The pedestrian, identified by police as Jorge Ramirez, 43, was walking across Decoto Road outside a crosswalk when he was struck by the vehicle traveling westbound. Ramirez was taken to a trauma center with major injuries. The driver, a 49-year-old Fremont man, made the initial 911 call and cooperated with investigators. No drugs or alcohol are suspected in this collision. An investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to contact Traffic Investigator William Malcomson at (510) 790-6800 or send an

email to mwmalcomson@fremont.gov. Anonymous tips can be sent via text at: Tip FremontPD followed by a short message to 888777 or sent via the web at <https://fremontpolice.gov/TIP>.

Thursday, July 1

- Officers responded to a robbery report at Grocery Outlet, 4949 Stevenson Blvd. A suspect entered the store and attempted to steal items and brandished a knife after an employee tried to stop him. The suspect, identified by police as William Moore, 35, was located nearby and arrested.

- Officers responded to a report about a residential burglary on the 3300 block of Kipling Place in the Brookvale area. The victim was alerted by a surveillance camera that someone was inside his residence. The suspect, identified by police as Jason Svrldin, 32, was located in the backyard and arrested.

Friday, July 2

- Officers responded to the 4200 block of Chetwood Ave. where a suspect had placed a rag into the fuel cap of a driver's truck and lit it on fire.

Sunday, July 4

- At about 9:30 p.m. patrol officers responded to a report about a collision involving a bicyclist and vehicle at the intersection of Hansen Avenue and Dutra Way in the Centerville area. Upon arrival officers started life-saving measures on the bicyclist, identified as a 15-year-old male from Fremont. The boy was taken to a trauma center with life threatening injuries and hospitalized in critical condition. The driver of the vehicle, a 23-year-old Fremont man, cooperated with the investigation and remained at the scene. No alcohol or drugs are suspected in this collision. The collision is under investigation. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact Traffic Investigator Jacob Shannon at (510) 790-6765 or send an email to jshannon@fremont.gov. Anonymous tips can be sent via text at: Tip FremontPD followed by a short message to 888777 or sent via the web at <https://fremontpolice.gov/TIP>.

Hayward Police Log

SUBMITTED BY
HAYWARD PD

Sunday, June 27

- During a 10:13 p.m. security check near the 30000 block of Industrial Parkway SW, officers

found an occupied stolen vehicle. The occupant was taken into custody and the vehicle recovered.

Wednesday, June 30

- At 3:13 a.m. witnesses reported an in-progress catalytic converter theft in the 1000 block of C St. Officers responded and the suspects fled the scene, but were soon located and taken into custody by police.

- During a 3:40 p.m. security check near the 1000 block of Folsom Ave. officers saw two people with an estimated 57 pounds of illegal fireworks in the open trunk of a vehicle. One person was taken into custody and the fireworks were confiscated.

CHP Hayward Log

SUBMITTED BY CHP HAYWARD

Thursday, July 8

- At about 10:35 a.m. the driver of a Mercedes Benz SUV was traveling northbound on I-880 just north of Fremont Boulevard. For an unknown reason, the vehicle veered off the roadway and collided with a metal sign pole, killing the driver. The identity of the driver was not immediately released. The Alameda County Coroner's Office retrieved the body.

Union City Police Log

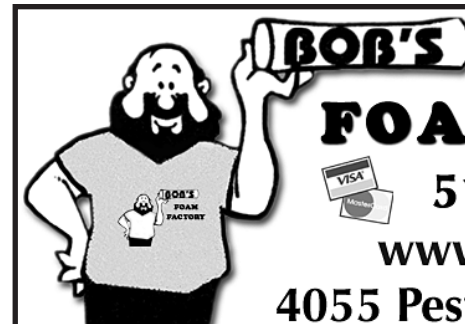
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UNION CITY PD

Tuesday, June 15

- At about 4:00 p.m. officers contacted the victim of an assault in the 30900 block of Watkins Street. The victim told police that the suspect entered her bedroom and began firing at her with a BB gun rifle. She was struck multiple times in the head, face and body. The suspect fled the scene before the police arrived. The victim identified the suspect, and officers forwarded the case to the Alameda County District Attorney for review and charging.

Sunday, June 20

- At about 10:50 p.m. officers responded to a carjacking report in the 1600 block of Decoto Road. The victim told police that he had just locked up his business and was bringing items out to his vehicle when he was attacked and pulled from his car by a group of four to five Black male juveniles. The victim tried to run back to his place of business, but the suspects continued to batter him and took his keys. The suspects then fled in the victim's vehicle. Officers recovered the victim's car, unoccupied a week later in San Francisco.



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BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY LES MENSINGER AND BART PD
Monday, July 5

- At 5:47 p.m. a man identified by police as Christian Delatorre, 24, of Mountain View was arrested at Warm Springs/South Fremont station on suspicion of assault. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail and issued a prohibition order.
- At 7:25 p.m. a man identified by police as Dontae Hayes, 28, of Hayward was arrested at Hayward station on a \$5,000 warrant issued by Alameda County for possession

of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail.

Wednesday, July 7

- At 6:30 p.m. a woman identified by police as Debra Pina, 61, was arrested at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of battery on a transit worker. She was issued a prohibition order.

Thursday, July 8

- At 5:38 p.m. a man identified by police as Angel Ramirez, 24, of Oakland was arrested at Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of sexual battery, battery on a transit worker, resisting arrest and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was booked into Santa Rita Jail and issued a prohibition order.

Officer struck by suspect's getaway vehicle

SUBMITTED BY SAN LEANDRO PD

A San Leandro Police Department (SLPD) officer is recovering from a minor injury to his leg after being struck by a crime suspect's getaway vehicle exiting a downtown area parking garage.

The incident started at 5:50 a.m. Tuesday, July 6 when officers responded to the 1100 block of Carpentier Street regarding a catalytic converter theft in progress. When officers learned that the suspect and the getaway vehicle were trapped inside the complex's gated parking garage, they established a perimeter and deployed stop sticks at the garage exits. However, the suspects were able to get back into their vehicle and struck an officer while fleeing and then rammed the complex gate to escape.

Officers pursued the suspects into Oakland and apprehended the driver. The officer struck by the vehicle did not require emergency medical assistance. "We are grateful that our officer did not sustain significant injuries after being struck by the suspect vehicle. Our officers attempted

to de-escalate the incident by deploying spike strips and apprehending the suspect before entering their vehicle. The suspects showed total disregard for human life as they hit an officer and rammed the secured gate to escape," said Lieutenant Ali Khan.

Later, at 7:40 a.m. officers responded to another catalytic converter theft in the 300 block of Pershing Drive. Officers quickly located the suspect vehicle; however, they did not pursue the car because of public safety concerns.

Regionally and in San Leandro, there has been an increase in catalytic converter thefts. Year to date, SLPD has seen a 65% increase from 2020. A monthly average comparison to 2019 is showing an increase of 431%.

A catalytic converter is an exhaust emission control device that reduces toxic gases and pollutants in exhaust gas from an engine. Thieves typically cut the catalytic converter because of the precious metals it contains. Vehicle owners can protect their catalytic converters by installing after-market guard plates under their vehicles.

News and notes from around the world

SUBMITTED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF MATURE AMERICAN CITIZENS
Sky driving is real

Tired of tedious long-distance drives on backed up highways? It seems that soon you'll be able to pack your family in your car, drive it to a runway nearby, spread its wings and take off high into the sky, says the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. AMAC reports that "sky driving" is no longer a futuristic pipe dream; it's a reality that a number of automobile manufacturers have on their drawing boards. A Slovakian company, Klein Vision Ltd, recently proved the viability of flying cars when its AirCar Prototype 1 made the first city to city flying car flight between two cities in in the Slovak Republic in 35 minutes. The AirCar is a sports car on land that easily converts into an aircraft powered by a 160 horsepower

BMW engine that turns back into an automobile after it lands. It's no one-off; at least four major car makers, including Volkswagen, Porsche, Daimler and Toyota, may soon be test flying their versions of flying cars. To see the flying car in action, visit YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2tDOYkFCYo>.

A dream comes true

Gwen Goldman dreamt of becoming a bat girl for the New York Yankees. It took 60 years, but she made the grade recently at Yankee Stadium. Goldman was 10 years old when she sent a letter to the team's offices in 1961 and accepted the negative reply she received. She kept that letter of response and recently her daughter forwarded it to the team's current general manager Brian Cashman who fulfilled Goldman's girlhood dream. Watch Goldman's debut as a bat girl on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cVVQmJpvX8s>.

California identifies new, rare gray wolf pack

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A new pack of gray wolves has been identified in Northern California, becoming the third pack to establish itself in the state in the last century, state wildlife officials and conservationists said.

Three wolves in the Beckworth pack were first spotted in May on a trail camera in Plumas County near the California-Nevada state line, after the tracks of two wolves were detected earlier this year in the same area, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife said.

For conservationists, the discovery marks a milestone in the state's efforts to revive its population of wild wolves, SFGate reported. Gray wolves are native to California, but disappeared in the 1920s. Most were likely killed through hunting or to control predation on other animals. "This

is such wonderful news," said Amaroq Weiss, senior West Coast wolf advocate with the Center for Biological Diversity. The species is protected under the California Endangered Species Act. Killing a wolf is a potential crime subject to serious penalties, including prison time.

Ranchers in the area are less enthusiastic about the growing wolf population. "It's one of our worst nightmares," Rick Roberti of Roberti Ranch in southeast Plumas County told SFGate. Roberti, who is president of the Plumas-Sierra Cattlemen's Association, said ranchers report wolf attacks on their cattle and feel there is nothing they can do to stop it.

In January, the Trump administration removed endangered species protections from gray wolves, ending

Easy come, easy go

The James family of Baton Rouge, Louisiana became what some might call filthy rich overnight, beyond imagination, when they received their latest bank account statement, which showed that they had a balance of \$50,000,000,000 reported AMAC. It was obviously a case of easy-come-easy-go. Four days later, their bank canceled the erroneous deposit, and they lost their fortune. But they couldn't cancel the lasting memory of having been billionaires for a few days. As Darren James put it: "It was crazy just to see what it looks like because I've never seen that many zeros in my life."

-- The Association of Mature American Citizens is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization representing membership in Washington, D.C. and in local congressional districts nationwide. More information is available on its website at www.amac.us.

longstanding federal safeguards and putting states and tribes in charge of overseeing the predators. Environmental and animal-rights groups say the move was premature because wolves haven't returned to most of their historical range. They are pushing the Biden administration to reverse it.

Wisconsin was the first state to resume hunting of wolves. A study just released by University of Wisconsin scientists says that as many as one-third of Wisconsin's gray wolves likely died at the hands of humans in the months after the federal government announced it was ending legal protections.

The study estimates that poaching and hunting have reduced the statewide wolf total to between 695 and 751, down from at least 1,034 in spring 2020, though some other scientists say more direct evidence is needed for some of the calculations. Scientists involved in the study said the findings should serve notice to wildlife managers in other states with wolves.

PUBLIC NOTICES

BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(U.C.C. §6104, 6105)

ESCROW #: 0126016141
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named seller that a bulk sale is about to be made of the assets described below.
The names and business address of the Seller(s) is/are: Santosh Services, Inc 40087 Mission Boulevard Fremont, California 94539
The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: same as above
As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: None
The names and business address of the Buyer(s) is/are: Adirath LLC 40087 Mission Boulevard Fremont, California 94539
The assets to be sold are described in general as: All stock in trade, furniture, fixtures, equipment and other property
And are located at: 40087 Mission Boulevard Fremont, California 94539
The business name used by the Seller(s) at those locations is: "The UPS Store # 1640"
The anticipated date of the bulk sale is: July 29, 2021
The office of Old Republic Title Company @ 9400 Burnett Avenue, Suite 400, Concord, CA 94520

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. If so subject, the name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is as follows: Old Republic Title Company @ 1000 Burnett Avenue, Suite 400, Concord, CA 94520 or E-Fax to 925-265-9040 or Fax 925-363-2276
The last day for filing claims shall be July 28, 2021 which is the business day before the sale date specified herein.
Dated: June 26, 2021
Buyer(s)
Adirath LLC
(S/ By: Maulik Anil Pandit, Managing Member 7/13/21

CNS-3489592#

CIVIL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. HG21101389
Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA
Petition of: KUN OIL CHAU for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner KUN OIL CHAU filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
KUN OIL CHAU to APRIL CHAU
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 8/20/2021, Time: 11:00AM, Dept.: 17, Room: ---
The address of the court is 1221 OAK ST., OAKLAND, CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: TRI-CITY VOICE
Date: MAY 10, 2021
JUDGE DESAUTELS
Judge of the Superior Court
7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3/21

CNS-3489531#

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. HG21100863
Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA
Petition of: MONIKA for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner MONIKA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
MONIKA to MONIKA SHARDWAJ
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 08-06-2021, Time: 11:00AM, Dept.: 17, Room: ---
The address of the court is 1221 OAK ST., OAKLAND, CA 94612
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: TRI-CITY VOICE
Date: JUNE 01, 2021
JUDGE DESAUTELS
Judge of the Superior Court
6/29, 7/6, 7/13, 7/20/21

CNS-3485769#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAMESFICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580014
Fictitious Business Name(s):
FORM HAND THERAPY, 39180 FARWELL DR SUITE 231B, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
BASIL R BESH MD INC, 39180 FARWELL DR SUITE 231B, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/1/2021
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ BASIL R BESH
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 14, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3/21

CNS-3489550#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580295
Fictitious Business Name(s):
CALWIDE REAL ESTATE GROUP, 39159 PASEO PADRE PARKWAY SUITE 117, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
CALWIDE LENDING, 39159 PASEO PADRE PARKWAY SUITE 117, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
CALWIDE REALTY AND MORTGAGE INC., 3593 BRAXTON COMMON, FREMONT, CA 94538
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ DAVID ANWAR
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 25, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement

generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3/21

CNS-3489537#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580385
Fictitious Business Name(s):
SPEEDY REGISTRATION SERVICES, 39675 CEDAR BLVD #1000, NEWARK CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
YUSUF KHALED SAAD, 46097 RAINDANCE RD, FREMONT, CA 94539
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ YUSUF KHALED SAAD
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 29, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 7/6, 7/13, 7/20, 7/27/21

CNS-3488703#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580299
Fictitious Business Name(s):
SASIS 1685 WELFORD CIR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
SOLOMON I. IKECHIUKU, 1685 WELFORD CIR, HAYWARD, CA 94544
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 04-29-2002
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ SOLOMON I. IKECHIUKU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 25, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3488553#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579802
Fictitious Business Name(s):
SITEL NETWORK SOLUTIONS, 5178 MOWRY AVE #2122, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
ISIAK O. MOYOSORE, 5178 MOWRY AVE #2122, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ ISIAK O. MOYOSORE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 07, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3488549#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579779
Fictitious Business Name(s):
AMERICA'S MOTORS, 39675 CEDAR BLVD STE 1000, NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
IBRAHIM SAAD, 46097 RAINDANCE RD, FREMONT, CA 94539
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ IBRAHIM SAAD
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 07, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3488547#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580179
Fictitious Business Name(s):
INDUSTRIAL PKWY W, HAYWARD, 2286 INDUSTRIAL PKWY W, HAYWARD, CA 94545, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
USA SAI HOTEL INVESTMENT, INC., 2286 INDUSTRIAL PKWY W, HAYWARD, CA 94545, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: A CORPORATION
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 06/01/2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ KIRAN K. SOLANKI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 22, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.

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CNS-3486754#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579741
Fictitious Business Name(s):
TRI-CITY OPTOMETRY, 1800 MOWRY AVE, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
SHITAL CHATWANI, 348 HARVARD COMMON, FREMONT, CA 94537
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 10/2006
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ SHITAL CHATWANI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 4, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3486672#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579803
Fictitious Business Name(s):
EMAUD'S AUTO SALES, 8407 CENTRAL AVE STE 2015, NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
EMAUD MOUSA, 42127 EDGEWOOD ST., FREMONT, CA 94538
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ EMAUD MOUSA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 08, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-348573#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 580046
Fictitious Business Name(s):
DIGITALLY ORGANIC HYBRID PRODUCTS (D.O.H.P.), 29835 CANTERA DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
THE D.O.H.P. SHOW, 29835 CANTERA DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
D.O.H.P. DENIM COMPANY, 29835 CANTERA DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
D.O.H.P. SKIN CARE AND GROOMING PRODUCTS, 29835 CANTERA DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
DAVID GALINDO, 29835 CANTERA DR., HAYWARD, CA 94544, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 7-23-2016
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ DAVID GALINDO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 15, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3485695#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579794
Fictitious Business Name(s):
GOLDEN STATE SCATTERING, 2786 PARKSIDE DR., FREMONT, CA 94536, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
ROBERT J. ROSE, 2786 PARKSIDE DR., FREMONT, CA 94536
KELLY L. ROSE, 2786 PARKSIDE DR., FREMONT, CA 94536
Business conducted by: MARRIED COUPLE
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ ROBERT J ROSE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 7 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3484765#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579385
Fictitious Business Name(s):
SUNDAY MORNING SCENTS, 4855 LOCH LN, SAN LEANDRO, CA 94578, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
DAVID PRICE, 4855 LOCH LN, SAN LEANDRO, CA 94578, County of ALAMEDA
Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on OCT 2, 2020
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ TRENITTA PRICE
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on MAY 25, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A

new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3484321#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 579689
Fictitious Business Name(s):
CLASSIQUE CLEANERS, 39370 SUITE C, CIVIC CENTER DR, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA
Registrant(s):
GURDAS SINGH TOOR, 321 STONEBRIDGE DR, FREMONT, CA 94536
SIMRAN KAUR TOOR, 321 STONEBRIDGE DR, FREMONT, CA 94536
Business conducted by: MARRIED COUPLE
The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on FEB 01, 2020
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)
/s/ GURDAS SINGH TOOR
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on JUNE 03, 2021
NOTICE: In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a fictitious name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration.
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CNS-3481569#

GOVERNMENT

CITY OF FREMONT

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

As Introduced July 6, 2021
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FREMONT AMENDING FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 18 (PLANNING AND ZONING), CHAPTER 18.47 (DOWNTOWN DISTRICT) TO AMEND THE USE TABLE FOR THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (PLN2021-00133)
On July 6, 2021, the Fremont City Council introduced the above ordinance. It would amend Fremont Municipal Code Title 18 (Planning and Zoning), Chapter 18.47 (Downtown District) to amend the use table for the Downtown District (PLN2021-00133).
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Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, a publicly accessible location may not be provided for the second reading. Information on how to participate virtually will be made available, at least 72-hours prior to the meeting, on the agenda posted online at <http://fremont.gov/AgendaCenter/City-Council-4>.
A certified copy of the full text of the ordinance is posted in the office of the City Clerk, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont, and is available for review upon request. The second reading for adoption is currently scheduled for July 20, 2021, at 7:00 pm, at City Hall, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont.
SUSAN GAUTHIER, CITY CLERK

7/13/21

CNS-3490272#

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received in the Office of Purchasing Services at 3300 Capitol Ave., Bldg B, Fremont, California, up to the hour of 2:00 PM on July 28, 2021. Due to the extension of the Shelter in Place there will not be a public bid opening for this project. The bids will be opened on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. Preliminary bid result will be posted on the City's website the same day at (<https://fremont.gov/532/BidResults>) for the below referenced project.
Basketball Court Resurfacing Project PWC 9027

A NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:
A non-mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. at the following location: Buena Vista Park – 150 Mackintosh Street, Fremont, California 94538 to acquaint all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the Worksite.
The Pre-Bid Conference is not mandatory.
Plans, special provisions and standard proposal forms to be used for bidding on this project can be obtained for a non-refundable fee at ARC Solutions located at 821 Martin Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050 or through Planwell at www.e-arc.com/location/santa-clara. Phone (408) 295-5770. Please reference Bid # 22-004. No partial sets will be issued, cost is non-refundable. Call to confirm availability of copies before coming to pick up documents. For more information on this project, contact the City of Fremont Purchasing Department at (510) 494-4620.
JANICE BECERRA
PURCHASING DIVISION CITY OF FREMONT
7/6, 7/13/21

CNS-3488140#

City of Union City
department of public works

city project no. 21-02
notice to contractor
Sealed proposals for the work shown on the plans entitled: **2020-21 UNION CITY BASE FAILURE REPAIR & SLURRY SEAL PROJECT, CITY PROJECT 21-02**, will be received at the office of the City Clerk, City of Union City, City Government Building, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California, until **Thursday, July 22nd, 2021, 1:00PM PST**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read in the Council Chambers of said building.

The Contractor shall possess a Class A or C-12 California contractor's license at the time this contract is awarded.

Bids are required for the entire work described herein. This contract is subject to the State contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code Section 12990.

Bid Package & Bid Package Location. All of the project work is to be done in accordance with the bid package on file with the Public Works Department - City of Union City, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California 94587. Eligibility to bid on this project requires bid package to be electronically obtained from the City. Bid package may be obtained at no charge via email request to the City at nancy@unioncity.org. Complete bid package shall be available to view at various Builders' Exchanges throughout the Bay Area.

General Work Description: The work to be done, in general, consists of asphalt concrete spot repairs on various roadways, crack seal and slurry seal application, provide associated traffic control measures, lane & crosswalk striping, and other such items indicated and required by the plans and Standard Specifications.

All questions should be emailed or fax to Eddie Yu of City of Union City, email: eddieyu@unioncity.org or fax to (510) 489-9468. The successful bidder shall furnish a Payment Bond, a Performance Bond, and a Maintenance Bond.

Minimum wage rates for this project are predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are set forth in the special provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and prevailing wage rates determined by the Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and his subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rates.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county in which the work is to be done has been determined by the Director of the California Labor Code Department of Transportation publication entitled General Prevailing Wage Rates, (current semi-annual which have been predetermined and are on file with the Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in said publication. 6/29, 7/6, 7/13/21

CNS-3486897#

NOTICE OF INVITING BIDS

1. Invitation to Bid. The City of Union City, California ("City") hereby invites bids for Dyer Street Pavement Rehabilitation ("Project"), (City Project No. 18-20) Federal Project No. STPL-5354(042), in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20164, all applicable laws and regulations, and the following sections of this Notice Inviting Bids.
2. Bid Package & Bid Package Location. All of the project work is to be done in accordance with the bid package on file with the Public Works

Department - City of Union City, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California 94587. Eligibility to bid on this project requires bid package to be electronically obtained from the City. Bid package may be obtained at no charge via email request to the City at nancy@unioncity.org. Complete bid package shall be available to view at various Builders' Exchanges throughout the Bay Area.

3. Project Questions. Questions concerning the Project, based on the bid package, must be submitted by facsimile to (510) 489-9468 or by e-mail: treut@unioncity.org or phone (510) 675-5301 at least five (5) working days before the time specified for bid opening. Where appropriate, the City may respond to such questions as provided for by the Instructions to Bidders.

4. Bid Delivery Location. All bids for the Project must be delivered by

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is to be performed.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1773, the City has obtained from the Director of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work in the locality in which the Project is to be performed for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to execute the contract. In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1773.2, copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the Public Works Department - City of Union City, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, California 94587, and are also available for download from the California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, on its website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlse>. In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1777.1, any contractor or subcontractor that commits a willful violation or has an intent to defraud under Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code (excluding Section 1777.5) shall result in that contractor or subcontractor, and any entity in which that contractor or subcontractor has an interest, becoming ineligible to bid on or be awarded a contract for a public works project or perform work as a subcontractor on a public works project.

In general, the prevailing wage scale, as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California, in force on the day this bid was announced and determined by the administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, in force on the day bids are opened, whichever is higher, will be the minimum paid to all craftsmen and laborers working on this project. In some cases, prevailing wage determinations have either a single asterisk (*) or double asterisks (**) after the expiration date in effect on the date of advertisement for bids.

In cases where the prevailing wage determinations have a single asterisk (*) after the expiration date which are in effect on the date of advertisement for bids, such determinations remain in effect for the life of the project. Prevailing wage determinations which have double asterisks (**) after the expiration date indicate that the basic hourly wage rate, overtime, and holiday pay rates, and employer payments to be paid for work performed after this date have been predetermined. If work is extended past this date, the new rate must be paid and should be incorporated in contracts the Contractor enters into.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. The wages as set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project will be posted at the job site. It is understood that it is the responsibility of the bidder to determine the correct scale. Any errors or defects in the materials in the City Clerk's office will not excuse a bidder's failure to comply with the actual scale then in force.

The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in Appendix I. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of "Proposal and Contract" books. Future effective general prevailing wage rates which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed to the Federal minimum wage rate requirements in the books entitled "Proposal and Contract." If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and Subcontractor shall not pay less than the higher wage rate. The Department will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available to use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal minimum wage rate which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

14. This Contract is subject to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26 and the State of California, Department of Transportation DBE Program Plan. Section 2, "Proposal Requirements (DBE)" of these special provisions cover the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements. The DBE contract goal is 11 percent.

15. This project is subject to the "Buy America" Provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 as amended by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 and Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), section 1518.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities, bidder collusion and other fraudulent activities. The hotline number is (800) 424-9071. The service is available 24 hours, 7 days a week and is confidential and anonymous. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected. 6/22, 6/29, 7/6, 7/13/21

CNS-3484408#

PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
LESLIE GINSBERG
CASE NO. RP21102134

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **LESLIE GINSBERG**
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **DONNA COCHRANE** in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that **DONNA COCHRANE** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 08/11/2021 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE: The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: **GEORGE M. DERIEG, ESQ., 2219 SANTA CLARA AVE #B-2, ALAMEDA, CA 94501, Telephone: 510-355-2747 7/13, 7/20, 7/27/21**

CNS-3490075#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
CATALINA D. ORTOLJO AKA CATALINA D. ORTOLJO
CASE NO. RP21103545

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **CATALINA DE LA CRUZ ORTOLJO AKA CATALINA D. ORTOLJO**
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **PETER D. ORTOLJO** in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that **PETER D. ORTOLJO** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will

be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on 08/30/2021 at 2:00 P.M. in Dept. 201 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE: The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: **SRINOI G. ROUSSEAU, 2433 MARINER SQUARE LOOP, STE 210, ALAMEDA, CA 94501, Telephone: 510-465-3885 7/13, 7/20, 7/27/21**

CNS-3489669#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
CONSUELO LOPEZ
CASE NO. RP21102969

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **CONSUELO LOPEZ**
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **JAIME CARRILLO** in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that **JAIME CARRILLO** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on AUGUST 25 ,2021 at 2:00 P.M. in Dept. 201 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE: The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy

to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: **LINDA DUNN, 145 E. PROSPECT AVE., STE. 202, DANVILLE, CA 94526, Telephone: 925-362-3120 7/6, 7/13, 7/20/21**

CNS-3487636#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
PHILIP JAY BALAURO
CASE NO. RP21101792

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **PHILIP JAY BALAURO**
A Petition for Probate has been filed by **RAQUEL J. BALAURO** in the Superior Court of California, County of ALAMEDA.
The Petition for Probate requests that **RAQUEL J. BALAURO** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court on AUGUST 11, 2021 at 9:45 A.M. in Dept. 202 Room N/A located at 2120 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94704.

MANDATORY REMOTE APPEARANCE: The Court requires all parties who wish to attend the hearing on the above date and time, including those who wish to state objections, to appear by audio or video technology. The parties should consult the court's website for the specific telephonic and video applications available. The parties may also contact the probate clerk in the respective department for information concerning remote appearances. Parties must be present at least five (5) minutes before the scheduled hearing time. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: **EARL L. JIANG, ESQ., 39111 PASEO PADRE PARKWAY, SUITE 223, FREMONT, CA 94538, Telephone: 510-792-8668 7/6, 7/13, 7/20/21**

CNS-3487080#

TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No.: 21-4914
Notice of Trustee's Sale
Loan No.: **1073 APN: 483-0098-134-00 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 10/25/2005. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without compulsion or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Phoebe D. Williams, A Married Woman As Her Sole And Separate Property Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services Recorded 11/8/2005 as Instrument No. 2005481744 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, Date of Sale: 8/6/2021 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At front Fallon Street Emergency Exit, Alameda County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon St., Oakland Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$407,687.63 Street Address, or other common designation of real property: 4246 Miramonte Way Union City, CA 94587-0000 A.P.N.: 483-0098-134-00 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Notice To Potential Bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services. Notice To Property Owner: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924 of the Civil Code and Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of the property, you may call (877) 440-4460 or visit this Internet Web site <http://mkconsultantsinc.com/trustees-sales/>, using the file number assigned to this case 21-4914 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 6/25/2021 Prestige Default Services 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (877) 440-4460 /s/Briana Young, Trustee Sale Officer 7/6, 7/13, 7/20/21

CNS-3486997#

Brunch for the Wild Bunch

SUBMITTED BY OAKLAND ZOO

On July 31, go behind the scenes and venture into Zoo habitats to participate in one of four different food spreads: Elephant All-You-Can-Eat, Baboon Breakfast, Sun Bear Buffet, or Grizzly Grub, and also, Giraffe Meet-n-Munch!

This event, formerly known as Feast for the Beasts, allows you the rare opportunity to place food around habitats before the animals go out for the day. Spread produce

for the elephants, hide seeds for the baboons, spread snacks for the sun bears, or toss treats around the grizzly yard. Do you love giraffes and want to help support them in the wild? This year we are also offering the opportunity to feed a giraffe!

Tickets to participate in the animal spreads are \$10 per experience with proceeds going to support Oakland Zoo's outstanding Animal Care work. Giraffe feedings are \$15 with all proceeds going to our conservation

partner, the Reticulated Giraffe Project in Kenya.

Brunch for the Wild Brunch Rules:

- No one under of the age of two is allowed on habitat due to safety concerns of uneven terrain.
- Guests 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
- No strollers are allowed and the animal habitats are not wheelchair accessible.
- Guests may only participate in one experience since all food experiences take place simultaneously.

- All participants must wear a mask.

Please Note: Regular Zoo admission is not included with this event ticket. Register in advance and buy your Zoo admission ticket at the door. Tickets are available on the Oakland Zoo website starting Tuesday, July 6 at 10 a.m.

Brunch for the Wild Bunch

Saturday, July 31

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

\$10-15 + regular Zoo admission

<https://www.oaklandzoo.org/>

However, Kiley is little known statewide outside of GOP circles, and he enters a race in which some of the leading candidates have been campaigning for months.

Newsom's campaign issued a statement calling Kiley "another Trump sycophant."

A Kiley spokesman did not immediately respond to a question about whether the assemblyman voted for former President Donald Trump in 2016 or 2020. Kiley told The Sacramento Bee in May 2016 he was supporting then-Ohio Republican Gov. John Kasich in the presidential race.

GOP lawmaker joins recall race targeting California governor

By MICHAEL R. BLOOD
AP POLITICAL WRITER

A California lawmaker on Tuesday joined the growing list of Republican candidates hoping to oust Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom in a September recall election.

Assemblyman Kevin Kiley - one of Newsom's most vocal critics at the Statehouse, and a rising personality in the California GOP - announced on Twitter that he would enter the race.

In a statement, he faulted the first-term governor for "special interest corruption" and promised

to be an antidote to the governor's "lawless mode of governance."

"I've said I'm ready to play whatever role will do the most to get our movement across the finish line," Kiley said, referring to the recall election. "After hearing from tens of thousands of Californians, I'm convinced that role is to replace Gavin Newsom as governor."

Kiley joins a large GOP field that includes former San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer; businessman John Cox, who was defeated by Newsom in 2018; reality TV personality Caitlyn

Jenner; and former U.S. Rep. Doug Ose. Conservative talk show host Larry Elder has said he's considering joining the race.

Kiley, a 36-year-old lawyer and former prosecutor from the Sacramento suburb of Rocklin, is known in the Legislature for fighting for access to charter schools and was one of the Republican lawmakers who filed a court challenge to Newsom's far-reaching policies during the coronavirus pandemic.

Newsom, a former San Francisco mayor, was elected governor in a 2018 landslide in

the heavily Democratic state. The recall drive gained momentum following school and business closures during the depths of the pandemic that unsettled life for millions of Californians. The election is set for Sept. 14.

In a statement earlier this month referenced by Kiley, recall organizer Orrin Heatlie said volunteers behind the effort were disappointed with the field of potential replacement candidates and predicted Kiley, should he enter the race, would unite those backing the drive to remove Newsom.





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Reaching new heights with California Summits

by teaching journalism to Castro Valley High School students for 23 years. Inspired by working at a newspaper near Yosemite as his first job out of college, he directed most of his journalism efforts to documenting outdoor experiences while admiring the beauty of his workplace.

“Hiking up and climbing mountains taught me a great deal about preparation, fitness, appreciation of nature, geology, mountains,” Johanson says, reminiscing about his early experiences as an outdoor writer. “One positive about the pandemic is that others have learned about skills like this as well. I hope that those who continue to exercise after the pandemic can keep discovering new opportunities like how I did.”

Johanson’s writing has won awards from groups such as the International Center for Journalists, California News Publishers Association, Outdoor Writers Association of California, and National Outdoor Book Awards Foundation. His latest book, California Summits, releases this month and reviews various summits across the state. Geared primarily toward beginners of the hobby, the guidebook is divided by region, and sorted, easier hikes first, like

Mount Davidson in San Francisco, progressively leading to more difficult trails in the Bay Area, such as Mount Sizer near Morgan Hill. Each section contains detailed maps and statistics, numerous tips, facts about the wildlife and history of each mountain, such as who climbed the peak first.



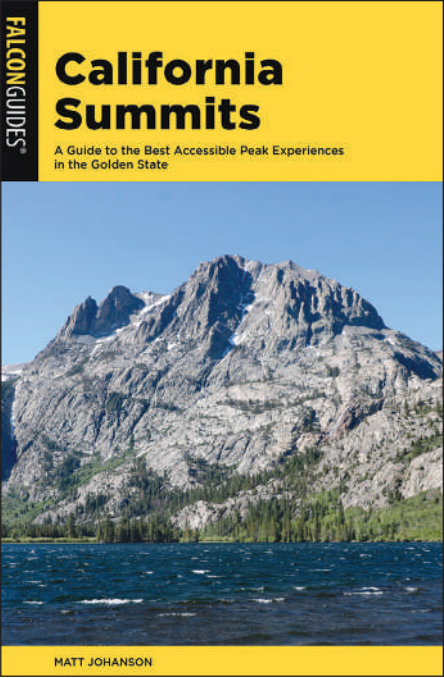
“Native Americans may have discovered each mountain and climbed them before anyone else, but most of their names have been lost to time,” says Johanson. “There were actually many women and people of color who played a big role in the discovery of some of these mountains, and I’ve made sure that each record I’ve found is as accurate and inclusive as I could possibly make it.”

According to Johanson, documenting information for each mountain for this book was by far his biggest challenge. Compared to his previous books like Yosemite Adventures or Sierra Summits, which only covered mountains in Yosemite and the Sierra Nevada respectively, California Summits includes over 50 hikes in both Northern and Southern California. Additionally, even though the COVID-19 pandemic limited Johanson’s hikes to only half of those last year, he was fortunately able to include previous hikes to complete the documentation. Additional information was provided by friends and family members who joined and supported him on his hikes.

“Visitations to [these mountains] have actually gone up the past year too,” Johanson adds. “I’ve heard stories about a soccer coach who ran up Mount Diablo every day in April as part of a fundraiser, Fremont High School’s football team helping their wheelchair [user] climber reach

the summit of Mission Peak, and firefighters who have been risking their lives to protect our forests too. If the outdoors provides a setting and inspiration for us to become our best selves, then maybe this is the best time to climb mountains.”

You can order any of Johanson’s books at his website <http://sierrasplendor.com/books>. Contact him for further details, potential book-slide talks or any other questions by email at mattjohanson@sbcglobal.net.



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